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CONTAINING THE
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The Eighteenth Report of the Record Commissioners is a continuation of the Sixteenth, and contains the proceedings of the town from 1770 through 1777.

It is almost superfluous to speak of the interest which will be felt in this report of the proceedings of the town during this important period. The resolves, instructions, and reports are essential to any correct understanding of the rise of the Revolution. Many of these papers have been published before, but it is instructive to read them in their proper sequence, and to see that the functions of the town, in small matters as well as great, were systematically attended to at all times.

It is suggestive to note that the town meeting of Boston for March 5, 1776, was held at Watertown; but with this exception, little appears on the record to show the suspension of civic rights during the occupancy of the town by British troops.

The ample indices will enable the student to promptly avail of the information herein collected.

WILLIAM H. WHITMORE,

For the Record Commissioners.

BOSTON TOWN RECORDS.

[FIFTH BOOK, CONTINUED.]

[211.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the 6th. Day of March 1770 — 11 O'Clock A : M : occasioned by the Massacre made in King Street, by the Soldiery the preceeding Night —

The Selectmen not being present and the Inhabitants being informed that they were at the Council Chamber, it was Voted that M^r. William Greanleaff be desired to proceed there, and acquaint the Selectmen that the Inhabitants desire and expect their attendance at the Hall ; and the Town Clerk acted as Moderator of this Meeting in the Interem —

The Committee returned and informed that they had delivered the Message of the Town to the Selectmen, who had desired them to acquaint the Inhabitants, that they would give their attendance immediately —

The Selectmen attend & Moderate —

Upon a Motion made it was Voted, that if any of the Inhabitants present could give information respecting the Massacre of the last Night, that they be desired to do it in Meeting, that the same might be minuted by the Town Clerk —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that Constable Wallace wait upon the Rev^d. D^r. Cooper, and acquaint him that the Inhabitants desire him to open the Meeting with Prayer —

Information given in by M^r. John S. Copley, that M^r. Pelham and his Wife and some Persons of M^r. Samuel Wentrops Family, heard a Soldier to say after the fixing on the last Night, *that the Devil might give quarters he should give them none* —

Information given in by M^r. John Scott, that a Lad of M^r. [212.] Peirpoints said at M^r. Cherdons, that a Soldier was heard to say *that his Officer had acquainted them, that if they went abroad at Nights, they should go armed and in Companies* —

M^r. Peirpoints informs *that before the firing on the last Night he had disarmed a Soldier who had struck down one of the Inhabitants*
The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

Chosen Moderator of this Meeting by a Hand Vote —

M^r. Pool Spear informs, that last Week he heard one Kilson a Soldier of Pharras Company say, that he did not know what the Inhabitants were after, for that they had broke an Officers Win-

dows (meaning Nathaniel Roger's Windows) but that they had a scheme on foot which would soon put a stop to our procedure — that Parties of Soldiers were ordered with Pistols in their Pockets, and to fire upon those who should assault said House again, and that Ten Pounds Sterling was to be given as a Reward, for their killing one of those Persons, and fifty pounds sterling for a Prisoner —

The Persons that appeared to give Informations relative to the Soldiery, being many, it was found inconvenient to take them in the Meeting, it was therefore Voted, that —

Mr. William Greanleaff

Mr. William Whitwell

Mr. Samuel Whitwell

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to take the Depositions which are offered respecting the conduct of the Soldiery

The Inhabitants having considered of the steps proper to be taken by them upon this alarming occasion —

Voted that

[213.]

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing, Moderator

John Hancock Esq.

Mr. Henderson Inches

Joshua Henshaw Esq.

Mr. Samuel Adams

Mr. William Phillips

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

Mr. Samuel Austin

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson

Mr. William Mollineux

Dr. Benjamin Church

Mr. Jonathan Mason

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

John Ruddock Esq.

be a Committee to wait on his Honor the Lieut. Governor; and acquaint him; that it is the unanimous Opinion of this Meeting, that the Inhabitants and Soldiery can no longer dwell together in safety; that nothing can be rationally expected to restore the peace of the Town, and prevent blood and Carnage, but the immediate removal of the Troops; and that they therefore most fervently pray his Honor that his power & influence may be exerted for their instant removal. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[214.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the 6 Day of March Anno Domini 1770. — 3 O'Clock, P: M: —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting —

Faneuil Hall not being Capasious enough to receive the Inhabi-

tants who attended; Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Dr. Sewalls Meeting House —

The Committee appointed to deliver a Message of the Town to his Honor Leutenant Governor, Reported, and laid before the Town the Reply they had received from his Honor in Writing which is as follows —

Gentlemen

I am extremely sorry for the unhappy differences between the Inhabitants and the Troops — and especially for the action of the last Evening, and I have exerted myself upon that occasion, that a due inquiry may be made and that the Law may have its course. I have in Council consulted with the Commanding Officers of the two Regiments which are in the Town. They have their Orders from the General at New York. It is not in my power to countermand those Orders. The Council have desired that the two Regiments may be removed to the Castle. From the particular concern which the 29th. Regiment has had in these differences Coll^o. Dalrymple who is the Commanding Officer of the Troops has signified to me that the Regiments shall without delay be placed in the Barracks at the Castle until he can send to y^e [215.] The General and receive his further Orders concerning both the Regiment and that the Main Guard shall be removed and the 14th. Regiments so disposed and laid under such restraint, that all occasion of future differences may be prevented —

The foregoing Reply having been read, and fully considered the Question was put — “Whether the Report be satisfactory — Passed in the Negative almost unanimously — (but one dissenter) —

It was then moved and Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

M^r. William Mollineux

William Phillips Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

Joshua Henshaw Esq.

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to wait on his Honor the Lieu^t. Governor, and inform him, that it is the unanimous opinion of this Meeting, that the Reply made to a Vote of the Inhabitants presented his Honor in the Morning is by no means satisfactory, and that nothing less will satisfy them, than a total and immediate removal of the Troops.

The Committee having waited upon his Honor the Lieu^t. Governor agreeable to the foregoing Vote; laid before the Inhabitants the following Vote of Council, removed from his Honor —

His Honor the Lieu^t. Governor laid before the Board a Vote of the Town of Boston passed this Afternoon, and then Addressed the Board as follows —

Gentlemen of the Council I lay before you a Vote of the Town of Boston, which I have Just now received from them, and I now ask your advice what you Judge necessary to be done upon it —

[216.] The Council thereupon expressed themselves to be

unanimously of Opinion that it was absolutely necessary for his Majestys service and the good order of the Town and the peace of the Province that the Troops should be immediately removed out of the Town of Boston, and thereupon advised his Honor to communicate this advice of the Council to Coll^o. Dalrymple, and to pray that he would order the Troops down to Castle William —

The Committee also informed the Town, that Coll^o. Dalrymple after having seen the above Vote of Council, said to the Committee That he now gave his word of honor that he would begin his preparation in the Morning, and that there should be no unnecessary delay untill the whole of the two Regiments were removed to the Castle —

The above Report of the Committee having been read, by the Town Clerk; the Inhabitants could not but express the high satisfaction, which it afforded them —

The Town having determined that it was highly necessary and expedient to have a strong Watch of our own for the protection of the Inhabitants in the Night, untill the troops would remove, and the Committee who delivered the last Message to the Lieu^t. Governor having kindly offered to make themselves a part of the Watch for this Night, their offer was gratefully accepted and said Committee were desired to take such a number of the Inhabitants with them as they might think proper, and also to appoint a Watch for succeeding Nights; and as it was concluded that the Townsmen were now very generally provided with Arms and Ammunition, it was agreed that in case of any disturbance in the Night they should repair to a place they may appoint for a general Muster —

[217.] Upon a Motion made and seconded — Voted, unanimously That this Town have the greatest abhorrence of one of its Inhabitants viz^t. — Samuel Water-house, who in defiance of the united sentiment not only of his Fellow Citizens, but all his Fellow Countrymen expressed repeatedly in the Votes and Records of the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives of this Province, has continued to accommodate Troops at this time so Justly obnoxious to a free People and abhorrent to a free Constitution, and thereby basely prostituted a once respectable Mansion House to the use of a Main Guard —

A Copy of one of the Hand Bills posted up the Evening preceeding the horrid Massacre, was read to the Town, and diverse Testimonies relative to that bloody affair —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. the Moderator for dispatching the Business of this Meeting —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meet-

ing Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Monday—the 12th. Day of March Anno Domini 1770 —

Prayer, was made by the Rev^d. Dr. Cooper —

Warrant, for calling the Meeting - - - read —

[218.] Sundry Laws enjoined to be read at this Meeting were accordingly read —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oaths respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode Island, as required by an Act of this Province —

William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island, took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his duty, which oaths were Administered to him by one of his Majesties Justices present at the Meeting —

The Town proceeded to the choice of Seven Selectmen, and the Votes being brought in and sorted, it appeared that

Joshua Henshaw Esq.
Joseph Jackson Esq.
John Ruddock Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Samuel Pemberton Esq.
M^r. Henderson Inches
M^r. Jonathan Mason

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Overseers of the Poor, and upon sorting it appeared that —

John Barrett Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. Royal Tyler Esq.
M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
M^r. William Whitwell
M^r. William Greanleaff
William White Esq.
M^r. Joseph Waldo
John Leveret Esq.
John Gore Esq.
Cap^t. Samuel Partridge
Thomas Tyler Esq.
M^r. Samuel Whitwell

were chose Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing — see May 15 —

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Wardens, and upon sorting them it appeared that

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
Joshua Henshaw Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams
William Phillips Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock. Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
M^r. William Greanleaff

M^r. William Whitwell
 Benjamin Austin. Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 M^r. Moses Gill
 M^r. Samuel Austin

were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire-Wards and upon sorting them it appeared that —

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 John Rowe Esq.

[220.]

M^r. William Cooper
 M^r. John Mico Wendell
 Thomas Marshall Esq.
 William Homes Esq.
 M^r. Joseph Tyler —
 Cap^t. Adino Paddock
 M^r. James Richardson
 Cap^t. Benjamin Waldo
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams —
 Thomas Daws Esq.
 M^r. Alexander Hill

were chose Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing —

Upon a Motion made and seconded — the Question was put — viz^t. — “ Whether Constables and Collectors of Taxes shall be chose sepperate — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pound Fine to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing and shall decline serving —

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Constables, the Persons chose into that Office are —

Mess^{rs}. Augustus Hail
 Francis Salmon
 George Thomas
 Peter Barbour
 Thomas Rice
 Joseph Payson
 Lindsey George Wallace
 Hezekiah Usher
 John Wells
 Stephen Symms
 Edward Blake
 Elias Dupee —

[221.]

The Town brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer, and upon sorting them it appear'd that M^r. David Jeffries was chosen, & having taken the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the other Governments, took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his duty, which Oaths were Administred to him by M^r. Justice

Mess^{rs}. John Pulling
 John Andrews

Nathaniel Wheatley
 Elisha Avery
 Benjamin Jackson
 Henry Jackson
 Thomas Hill Jun^r.
 Joseph Laughton
 William Foster
 Samuel Parker
 Samuel Wallis
 Ellis Gray

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that the Sum of *Twelve* Pence on the Pound, be and hereby is allowed to such Persons as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall Collect; provided they pay into the several Treasuries the whole Sum committed to them to Collect on or before the tenth Day of August 1771. *Eight* Pence on the Pound on all such other Sums as they shall have so paid in to said Treasurers on or before the 20 Day of December 1771. and *Four* Pence on the Pound upon the remainder of the Sums they shall be obliged to Collect provided such remainder shall be fully paid in on or before the Second Monday in March [222.] 1772. This Premium as above expressed appears to be Just and equitable, and an ample allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to discharge their duty with diligence and fidelity; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with sufficient Sureties to the satisfaction of the Selectmen for the faithful discharge of their duty in said Office, and complying with this Vote —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Four Collectors of Taxes, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mess^{rs}. Sampson Salter
 Edward Hollyday
 M^r. Samuel Ruggles
 M^r. Abraham Savage

were chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

M^r. William Fairfield
 M^r. John Kneeland
 M^r. Benjamin Church
 Belcher Noyes. Esq.
 M^r. Daniel Pecker
 M^r. Jonathan Brown
 Moses Deshon Esq.

were chose Assessors for the Year ensuing —

M^r. Speaker Cushing Chairman of the Committee appointed at a former Town Meeting, having received Letters from M^r. Pownall the late worthy Governor of this Province, and some other Gentlemen to whom they had transmitted the Phamphlets which contained Remarks on Governor Bernards Letters &c. — laid the same before the Town —

[223.] A Letter to the Selectmen of Boston inclosing the

Votes of the Town of Watertown, respecting the Non Importation Agreement Tea &c. were laid before the Town—

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P: M: —

3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

The Moderator having laid before the Town a Letter from Mr. Sheriff Greanleaff representing the danger there was of some of the Prisoners in the County Jayl making an escape, and that it is his Opinion, that in order to prevent it the County Watch should be doubled, but that the Court of Session not meeting till April next cannot be apply'd to for this purpose— therefore Voted, That the Sheriff be and hereby is impowered and directed to double said Watch in the manner he has proposed, and that in case the Court of Session at their next sitting, should decline defreying the Charge upon his application to them therefore, that then the Town will be answerable for the same —

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in and sealed up in Town Meeting, and delivered to the care of Constable Hale to be returned to the Court of Session —

Upon a Motion made and seconded — Voted, that the Committee of the Town now sitting at the Representatives Chamber, be desired to attend this Meeting by a Committee to inform the Town what progress has been made in the removal of the Troops from this Town

The Committee attended, and Reported — That they had attended the Business allotted them by the Town, Night and Day, and done every thing in their power by their repeated applications to Coll^o. Dalrymple to expedite the removal of the Troops, that the 29 Regiment was already [224.] Gone, and the Coll^o. had assured them that the 14th. Regiment should begin to follow them this Day, and that no time should be lost in removing them —

The above Report having been considered, Voted, unanimously that —

The Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq.

Mr. Samuel Adams

Joshua Henshaw Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

Mr. William Mollineux

D^r. Joseph Warren

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be a Committee immediately to wait upon Coll^o. Dalrymple to inform him that this Town have now waited Seven Days, for the removal of the 14 & 29th Regiments agreeable to his express promise made in presence of the Lieut^l. Governor his Majestys Council and y^o. Committee of the Town to remove the same with the utmost dispatch; that the Town is very uneasy and apprehend the Inhabitants are unsafe, while the Troops remain in Town, and that they are therefore obliged for the protection of the Inhabitants to keep up a military Watch during their tarry at a great expence; that it is the opinion of the Town that the removal of the said two Regiments may consistent with the usual dispatch of the Army be soon compleated. and that it is the desire of the Town that the removal of the Troops may be immediately effected, and that the

Committee obtain an explicit answer from Coll^o. Dalrymple, when the said Regiments shall be compleatly removed —

[225.]

Mess^{rs}. William Nichols
 Andrew Symms
 Clement Collins
 Henry Allen
 Isaac Vergoose
 John Grenough
 Jacob Thayer
 Joseph Edmunds
 John Skillins
 John Sergeant
 Richard Walker
 John Champney
 John Bulfinch
 Abraham Howard
 Joseph Butler
 Joseph Eyres
 Thomas Bayley
 John Gill
 Andrew Townsend
 Joseph Ballard

were chose Surveyors of Boards for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Dyer
 John Dyer
 Obediah Low
 John Joy
 William Crafts

were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Benjamin Bass
 Samuel Bangs
 Nathan Cooper
 Thomas Noland
 Benjamin Cooper

were chose Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Nathaniel Gardner
 William Daws Jun^r.

were chose Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing —

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Mess^{rs}. Peter Cotta
 Manesseh Masters
 Joseph Dyer
 John Harskins
 David Spear
 Jonathan Jenkins
 Robert Brick Jun^r.
 Job Wheelwright
 Joshua Pico
 Benjamin Salt
 Paul Baxter
 John Owen
 Thomas Knox
 Samuel White

Edward Cowell
 Edward Potter
 Peter Ellis
 Timothy Pease
 Nathaniel Waterman
 Jacob Williams
 Samuel Bernard
 John Nowell
 Joseph Phillips
 Henry Lucas

were chose Cullers of Staves for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. David Simins
 Thomas Curtis —

were chose Hogreeves for the Year ensuing —

Committee to wait on Coll^o. Dalrymple Reported — That they had delivered the Message of the Town, to which he was pleased to Reply — That not a Man of the 29th. Regiment was now in Town, and that between Thursday Night and Fryday Morning not one of the 14th. Regiment, except himself, would remain here —

[227.] Voted, that John Hancock Esq. and others the above Committee be desired to pursue their application to Coll^o. Dalrymple and the Lieu^t. Governor, that the Troops be removed with the greatest dispatch —

Voted, that the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
 M^r. John Adams
 M^r. Josiah Quincy

be a Committee to write immediately to the Hon^{ble}. Isaac Barree Esq. Thomas Pownal Esq. Dennis Deberdt Esq. D^r. Benjamin Franklyn Esq. William Bollan Esq. Barlow Trecothick Esq. acknowledging our obligation for past favors, acquainting them with the Circumstances & Facts relative to the late horred Massacre, and asking the continuance of their good services in behalf of this Town and Province —

Voted, That the Thanks of this Town be given to the Town of Roxbury for their kind interposition and Assistance in our late distress particularly by their Petition to the Lieu^t. Governor on our behalf — also

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to the Towns of Charlestown, Cambridge, Watertown, and to all our Brethren in the Towns through the Province for the kind concern they manifested for us in the late horred Massacre by the Soldiery, and their readiness to afford us all that assistance which our Circumstances might have required, and that these Votes be printed in the several News Papers —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Thursday next 9. O'Clock P: M: —

Tuesday March 13 9. O'Clock P: M: Town met —
 M^r. John Gray

was chosen Surveyer of Hemp for the Year ensuing.

[228.] M^r. Thomas Curtis
 was chosen Hayward for the Year ensuing

Upon a Motion made and seconded it was Voted, that one Scavenger be chosen out of each Ward —

Mess ^{rs} .		Wards.
William Clough	- - - - -	N ^o . 1.
John Cogswell	- - - - -	2
Benjamin Harrod	- - - - -	3
Benjamin Mulbury Homes	- - - - -	4
Hopetill Capen	- - - - -	5
Benjamin Goldthwait	- - - - -	6
Andrew Cammel	- - - - -	7
Jeremiah Belknap	- - - - -	8
Henry Laughton	- - - - -	9
David Wheeler Jun ^r .	- - - - -	10
Richard Jennings	- - - - -	11
Joseph Dorr.	- - - - -	12

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing —

The Selectmen

were chose Surveyers of High Ways for the Year ensuing

Mess^{rs}. John Holland

John Rogers

were chose Surveyers of Boards for the Year ensuing

Voted, that Nicholas Boylston Esq.

M^r. Thomas Gray

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

M^r. John Pitts

Thomas Daws Esq.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to Audit the [229.] Accompts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, and also the Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor, and the said Committee are enjoind to inspect every particular Account of the Moneys expended for the use of the Almshouse; they are also impower'd when they shall Audit said Accounts to allow such of the Overseers as shall advance Moneys for the relief of the Poor, Interest on all such sums from the time so advanced; 'till they shall have Audited said Accompts And they are also desired to Report from time to time a state of the Treasury respecting the Debts and Credits, and on any matters that they may think proper —

John Tudor Esq.

M^r. John Lucas

were chose Surveyers of Wheat for the Year ensuing —

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson

Nicholas Boylston Esq.

William Homes Esq.

were chosen purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, and they are desired and impowred to give all needful direction to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the quantity of Grain to be sold, & affixing the price thereof from time to time as occasion shall require. And the said Committee are desired and directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground at the new Mills near the Mill Bridge now occupied by M^r. George Leonard —

Cap^t. Martin Gay

M^r. John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to inforce the duty of Scavengers upon such as have been chose; and if they should find any defects in the Laws relating to those Officers, that they Report the same to the Town, that they may act thereon as they shall Judge convenient.

[230.] Voted, that the Assessors be and hereby are impowered and directed to set for abatement of such taxes as they shall Judge reasonable on every Wednesday in April inclusive, and no longer, saving that they be allowed to set the two last Weeks in November for the Abatements of the Taxes of such Persons as had not an opportunity of applying on the above limited time, by reason of their being out of the Province; at which time they are also allowed and impowered to Abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died Insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April, and the last Day of November.

Voted, that the Consideration of School Masters Salarys and all other Salarys and Grants be referred over to next May Meeting —

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is impowered and directed to borrow on Interest the Sum of Three hundred pounds for the use of the Overseers of the Poor, to purchase Grain &c. for the Alms-house

Upon a motion made and seconded Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and hereby is directed and impowered to give his negotiable Note upon Interest to such of the Overseers of the Poor as are in advance for the Relief of the Town, for such Sums as appear to be due to them respectively upon the Auditing of their Accompts to the present Month

The Selectmen Reported on the Accompt of Mr. Benjamin Fenno Keeper of the Granary for the Year past, which Accompt as entred in his Books (and on file in the Town Clerks Office) was read — whereupon it was Voted, that the same be accepted and that Mr. Fenno be accountable to the Town for 683 Bushels of Indian Corn & 244 Bushels of Rye amounting to £124 ,, 0 ,, 2 . and also for the Sum of £103 ,, 0 ,, 11½ Cash now in his hands exclusive of the sum of £32 ,, 13 ,, 4 for his Salary and attendance as charged in his Account which is hereby allowed him —

[231.] That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “ To take some further steps if necessary to strengthen the Hands of the Merchants relative to the Non Importation Agreement; for the discourtenancing the consumption of Tea, and other Articles of Foreign Luxury; for employing the Poor by encouraging Home Manufactures ” — was read — as was also some Votes of the Town of Charlestown respecting the Sale of Tea — whereupon

Voted, that - - - Mess^{rs}. John Sweetser

Peter Boyer

William Fallass

Francis Shaw

Alexander Hill

be a Committee to draw up an Agreement for the Shopkeepers that have or do deal in Tea, not to dispose of any more of that Article untill the Revenue Acts are repealed, and they are desired

to present the same to every Trader for his Signing; and Report at the Adjournment — also

Voted, that — John Rowe Esq.
 John Ruddock Esq.
 John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. William Dennie
 William Phillips. Esq.
 Isaac Smith Esq
 M^r. Timothy Fitch

be a Committee to take into Consideration what further steps are necessary to strengthen the Non Importation Agreement; discourtenance the consumption, of the Tea and other Forreign Luxuries, and for employing the Poor by encouraging Home-Manufactures — to Report to the Town from time to time as they may think proper, what they shall apprehend the most likely means to answer these good purposes —

The Petition of M^r. Jacob Emmons “praying the Town would make him a Grant of Money for his Land taken from him by a new Street being laid out by his Majestys Justices and the Selectmen of this Town thro’ his Land in Paddys Alley, or to take such other steps for relieving him in the [232.] Premises as the Town may think proper” — was read, whereupon

Voted that Thomas Daws Esq.
 M^r. William Gray
 M^r. William Whitwell
 William Homes Esq.
 M^r. Robert Peirpoint

be a Committee to consider the Petition and Report as soon as may be what may be proper for the Town to do thereon —

That Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) “What steps may be further necessary for obtaining a particular Account of all proceedings relative to the Massacre in King Street on Monday Night last, that a full and Just representation may be made thereof” — was read — whereupon

Voted that The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be a Committee for this important Business, and they are desired to Report as soon as may be —

Voted that — be and they hereby are appointed a Committee for and in behalf of the Town to find out who those Persons are that were the Perpetrators of the horred Murders and Massacres done and committed in King Street on several of the Inhabitants in the Evening of the 5th. Instant and take such Examinations and Depositions as they can procure, and lay the whole thereof before the Grand Inquest in order that such Perpetrators may be Indicted and brought to Tryal for the same, and upon Indictments being found, said Committee are desired to propose Matters for the Kings Attorney, to attend at their Tryals in the Superior Court, Subpena all the Witnesses, and do every thing necessary for bringing those Murderers to that punishment for such Crimes, as the Laws of God and Man require — also

[230.] Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to employ one or more Council to offer to the Kings Attorney as Assistance to him in the tryal of the Murtherers now committed; and in case the Kings Attorney should refuse such Assistance, and the Relatives of those Persons who were murdered should apply for it, that then the Town will bear the Expence that may accrue there-by —

The Petition of M^r. William Crafts “ that he may be permitted to fence in a small Slip of Land bordering on the Mill Pond, and at the back of his House in Sudbury Street, now the Receptacle of all manner of filth in order to prevent its continuing a Nusance, ’till the Town shall think proper to give further Orders respecting the Same ” — was read — whereupon —

Voted, that the Selectmen be a Committee to take this Petition under Consideration, and Report thereon; they are also desired to make enquiry, and Report as soon as may be what incroachments have been made on the Towns Lands near the Mill Pond. —

That Article in the Warrant — (Viz^t.) “ Whether the Town will take any measures, that a public Monument may be Erected on the spot where the late Tragical Scene was acted, as a Memento to Posterity of that horred Massacre, and the destructive Consequences of Military Troops being quartered in a well regulated City ” — was read and considered, and the Town being of Opinion that an Event of such publick and universal Concernment, must be the Object of the attention of the General Assembly, — Voted unanimously to refer the further Consideration of this matter to the Adjournment of this Meeting

That Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) “ Whether Application shall be made to the General Court that an Act may be passed that his Majestys Justices of the Peace may be empower’d to Convict any Person or Persons who shall refuse to work at a Fire, upon the Oath of the Fire-ward, was read & debated, & the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Negative —

[234.] A Letter and Votes from the Town of Cambridge was read to the Inhabitants —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Fryday March 16th. 9. O’Clock A : M : —

Fryday March 16th 9. O’Clock A : M : Met according to Adjournment —

The Town being informed that M^r. Cushing chosen Moderator of this Meeting on the 12. Instant was prevented from giving his Attendance; proceeded to the choice of another Gentleman to Moderate during the necessary absence of M^r. Cushing, and Richard Dana Esq. was chosen, and took the Oath respecting his paying and relieving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province which Oaths were Administred to him by M^r. Justice Hill —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that a Committee be sent to the Committee of the Town meeting at the Town House, to know from them whether all the Troops had left us —

M^r. William Mollineux one of the above Committee came into Town Meeting and informed the Town that he had this Morning been with Coll^o. Dalrymple to know how far he had proceeded in sending away the Troops, when he had assured him that the whole of what remained would be embarked in four Boats by One O'Clock, when they would immediately go down to Castle Island —

Moved & Voted that the above Committee be desired to take such Measures for keeping up a Military Watch until the Adjournment of this Meeting as they shall think proper — and that Coll^o. Jackson [235.] Be desired to continue the Military Watch 'till said Adjournment

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday Morning 9. O'Clock A : M : —

March 19. 9. O'Clock A : M : Met according to Adjournment —

Voted, that M^r. Samuel Adams
John Hancock Esq.
John Barret Esq.

be a Committee to draw up a Memorial to the Lieueutenent Governor and Council praying that special Justices may be appointed for the Superior Court now sitting in the room of those who may be necessarily prevented by sickness from attending their duty ; that so the Tryals of the many Criminals now committed may not be postponed —

The Committee appointed on the 12 Instant to prepare a Representation of the Facts and Circumstances relative to the late horred Massacre, laid before the Town a Draft of such a Representation, which was read and considered — whereupon — Voted unanimously, that the same be accepted, and that the draft be recommitted for a further Revision, and when the same is compleated, that they forward Copys thereof by the first Opportunity to such Gentlemen in England as were mentioned in a former Vote —

A Motion made that a Fishing Schooner might be hired by the Town as a Packet to carry home their Dispatches relative to the late horred Massacre — whereupon Voted, that

Cap^t. John Bradford
M^r. William Mollineux
John Barret Esq.

[236.] Be and hereby are appointed and impowered to take up a suitable Vessel immediately upon the best terms they can, which Packet is to proceed to England with such Dispatches as the Committee to make Representation shall have to send —

Cap^t. Dashwood offered himself in Town Meeting, to go Home charged with the Delivery of such Dispatches as were going by the Packet ; which offer was gratefully accepted by the Town

Voted, that the Town will defrey the Expence which will accrue by means of Cap^t. Dashwoods going Home with the Dispatches —

It having been mentioned in Town Meeting that Cap^t. Robson lately sayled for London had before his departure spoken that which highly reflected upon the Inhabitants of this Town especially the Body of Merchants ; the Committee of Examination were de-

sired to make enquiry relative thereto, and Report at the Adjournment —

The Committee appointed to prepare a Petition to the Governor in Council relative to the Appointment of Special Justices, Reported a Draft which was accepted, and the Town ordered that the same be presented as soon as may be

Upon a Motion made and Voted, that the Representation made by a Committee of the late horred Massacre by the Soldiery in King Street, be printed —

M^r. William Mollineux informed the Town that the whole of the Troops were now removed to Castle Island, and that he had good reason to think, they would all be soon sent out of the Province

[237.] Upon a Motion made the following Vote passed unanimously (Viz^t.) — The Merchants not only of this Metropolis, but through the Continent, having nobly preferred the publick Good to their own private Emolument: And with a vow to obtain a redress of the Grievances so loudly and Justly complained of, having *almost unanimously* engaged to suspend their Importations from Great Britain; a measure approved by all Orders, as legal peaceable and most likely of *all others* to effect the salutary design in view, and which will be regarded by Posterity with Veneration, for the disinterested and truly publick Spirit appearing in it: The Town cannot but express their Astonishment and Indignation, that any of its Citizens should be so lost to the feelings of Patriotism and the common Interest, and so thoroughly and infamously selfish as to obstruct *this very* measure, by continuing their Importation. — *Be it therefore SOLEMNLY VOTED*, that the Names of those Persons, *few* indeed to the Honor of the Town, viz^t. — JOHN BERNARD, JAMES M^c. MASTERS, PATRICK M^c. MASTERS, JOHN MEIN, NATHANIEL ROGERS, WILLIAM JACKSON, THEOPHILUS LILLIE, JOHN TAYLOR, AME AND ELIZABETH CUMMINS, ISRAEL WILLIAMS ESQ. & SON OF HATFIELD, AND HENRY BARNES OF MARLBURROUGH, be entred on the Records of this Town that POSTERITY may know who those Persons were that preferred their little private Advantage to the common Interest of all the Colonies, in a Point of the greatest Importance; who not only deserted but opposed their Country in a struggle for the Rights of the Constitution. that must ever do it Honor; And who with a design to enrich themselves, basely took Advantage of the generous self denial of their Fellow Citizens for the common Good — also

Voted, That the Thanks of this Town be given to all the Towns through the Province that have in their late Meetings with a generous & truly publick Spirit, passed such Resolutions and Votes, as must greatly strengthen and confirm the salutary and necessary Measure of Non Importation entred into by the Merchants and Traders of this and other Maritime Places: At the same time the Town cannot but express their hopes that the Patriotick Spirit so widely diffused, and so nobly ardent, uniting all parts [238.] Of the Province, and disposing them with Alacrity to aid one another upon all Occasions in the common cause, a Spirit not confined to but extending to all the Colonies, will ensure by the blessing of Heaven the Prosperity of the whole, and soon produce a thorough

effectual and permanent relief from our great and common Grievances —

The Committee appointed on the 18th. Instant to procure Subscriptions to an Agreement not to dispose of Forreign Tea untill the Revenue Acts shall be repealed, having Reported to the Town that their number was too small to answer the end of their Appointment

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. John Ballard
Nathaniel Holmes
Samuel Salsbury
John Simpkins
Samuel Ruggles Jun^r.
Ebenezer Dorr
John Lowell

be added to the Committee relative to Tea, who are desired to Report as soon as may be —

That Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) “To consider of some effectual Methods to prevent unlicensed Strangers and other Persons from entertaining and supplying the Youth and Servants of the Town with spirituous Liquors; for the breaking up of bad Houses; and removal of any disorderly Intruders to the Places from whence they came; and for the further discountenancing of Vice, and promoting a Reformation of Manners;” was read & considered whereupon

Voted, that Richard Boynton Esq.
John Tudor Esq.
John Hill Esq.
Cap^t. John Bradford
M^r. Ezekiel Price

[239.] Be a Committee to take this Article into their Consideration, and Report as soon as may be —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday next being the 26. Instant 9. O’Clock. A : M : —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Thursday the 22^d. of March A : D : 1770 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read

William Phillips Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of New Hampshire and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province —

The Committee chosen at an Adjournment of the last Meeting to take up a suitable Vessel to send to England with such Dispatches as the Committee Appointed to make Representation of the late horred Massacre should have to send — Reported that they had agreeble to said Vote hired a Schooner of Cap^t. Gardner for One hundred Pounds and twenty Pounds Sterling which Vessel would be ready for sayling by to Morrow — But it being the sense

of the Town that the whole transactions at the Adjournment of March Meeting on the 19th. Ins^t. relative to the taking up a Vessel for the purpose aforesaid, was null and void, as the same had not been inserted in the Warrant for calling said Meeting; it was determined to take up this Matter anew; and [240.] That Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) "To know the Mind of the Town whether a Vessel shall be hired as a Packet to carry the Dispatches to London relative to the late Massacre, being read & considered; it was Voted unanimously, that——

John Barrett Esq.

Mr. William Mollineux

Cap^t. John Bradford

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to take up for the Town a suitable Vessel as a Packet to carry such Dispatches to London as the Committee to make Representation &c. of the late Massacre in Boston by the Soldiery may have to send——

Cap^t. Gardner came into Town Meeting and informed the Town, that he had got a Mate for his Schooner, upon whom he could depend, also a Hand extraordinary; and that if it be the mind of the Town; he would endeavor to secure a Landing upon the first English Ground he might make, and then immediately proceed to London in order to deliver with his own hand the Packets he may be intrusted with, to the Gentlemen to whom they shall be directed ——

The Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) "To determine whether the Town will employ any Person beside the Captain of the Packet to be the Carrier of the Dispatches," was read, and considered, and the Question being accordingly put — passed in the Negative ——

Whereas Cap^t. Samuel Dashwood at a former Meeting of the Town generously offered to proceed to London with the Dispatches of the Town relative to the late horred Massacre, without fee or reward therefore Voted, unanimously, That the Thanks of the Town be given to Cap^t. Dashwood for the above generous offer, [241.] Altho' the Town are since of Opinion that it is not necessary to employ any other Person for that purpose beside the Cap^t. of the Packet ——

The other Article in the Warrant (Viz^t.) "To Agree upon some method of raising Money" for defreying the Charges that may be occasioned by sending a Vessel to England with Dispatches; was also read and considered— whereupon Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is impower'd and directed to borrow upon Interest the Sum of One hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling for which he is to give his Negotiable Note or Notes in order to defrey the Charge of Vessels hire and other Expences that may arise upon the sending and delivery of the Towns Dispatches to the Gentlemen to whom they will be directed ——

Upon a Motion made Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

Appointed a Committee to make Representation of the late horred Massacre by the Soldiery in Boston be desired to transmit by the

Packet to his Grace the Duke of Richmond, General Conway, and such other Gentlemen as they may think proper, one or more of those Representations so soon as they are printed —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to William Phillips Esq. the Moderator for dispatching the Business of this Meeting —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[242.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall by Adjournment from March 19 to March 26th 1770. 9. O'Clock A: M: —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. the Moderator being obliged to attend the General Court setting at Cambridge, and Richard Dana Esq. chosen a Pro. Temp. Moderator during his absence being now confined by sickness — the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for another, when it appeared that — Joshua Henshaw Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting Pro. Temp. and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the New England Governments as required by an Act of this Province —

The Committee appointed “to consider of some effectual Methods to prevent unlicensed Strangers and others from selling Spirituous Liquors; for the breaking up of Bad Houses &c. and for the further discountenancing of Vice and promoting a Reformation of Manners” — Reported, that it was their Opinion, that full and ample provision is made in the Laws of this Province for those purposes. And in order more effectually to put said Laws in execution, the Committee recommend that twelve Tything Men one in each Ward of the Town be chosen whose duty is particularly pointed out in the Laws, and if executed properly, may in a great measure answer the good intentions of the Town — which Report having been considered — the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the affirmative: And the Committee were desired to set again and Report further at May Meeting —

The Town were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for twelve Tything-Men and upon sorting them it appeared that

Mess^{rs}: John Preston
 William Fallass
 Andrew Oliver
 Nicholas Bowes
 Stephen Whiting
 John Clough
 Henry Roby
 Thomas Kemble
 Isaac Greenwood
 Benjamin Gooding
 Samuel Abbot
 Daniel Parker

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were chose Tything-Men for the Year ensuing —

The Committee appointed to "consider what further steps are necessary to strengthen the Non Importation Agreement; discountenance the Consumption of Tea and for employing the Poor by encouraging Home Manufactures, and to Report to the Town from time to time the most likely means to answer these good purposes" now Report — That the best method of employing the Tradesmen and poor People in this Town is in the natural branch of Ship building which has been the staple and principal means of employing of the People; and that they have the pleasure and satisfaction to Report, that there will be three Vessels set up for that purpose in this Town" — which Report being put passed in the affirmative by a unanimous Vote —

The Committee appointed to prepare a true state of facts relating to the execrable Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5 Ins^l., in order that the same be transmitted to Great Britain, having accordingly Reported; and the Report being accepted by the Town and ordered to be printed — And whereas the publishing said Narrative with the Depositions accompanying it in this County, may be supposed by the unhappy Persons now in custody for tryal as tending to give an undue Byass to the minds of the Jury who are to try the same — therefore Voted, that the Committee reserve all the printed Copies in their Hands excepting those to be sent to Great Britain 'till the further orders of the Town —

[244.] Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed not to give out Copies or deliver any of the Original Papers respecting the late horred Massacre; till the special order of the Town, or the direction of the Selectmen —

The Committee appointed by the Town to get the Sellers of Tea subscribe not to sell any more Teas, till the late Revenue Acts are repealed — Reported — That they had attended that service, and that the Sellers of Tea have very generally signed not to sell, a few Persons excepted, who say they will not be singular, but will sign if its general — Mem. 212 Sellers have signed —

The Votes and Resolutions of the Town of Charlestown respecting Tea delivered in to this Meeting, were read and considered of —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that

Richard Dana Esq.

John Rowe Esq.

John Ruddock Esq.

M^r. John Adams

William Phillips Esq.

M^r. Josiah Quincy

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be a Committee to supervise the Laws relative to breaking into Houses and Stores; as also other Laws that have appeared deficient & Report such Amendments as they think proper at the May Meeting —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday 4. O'Clock P: M: —

Tuesday March 27. 1770. 4 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

[245.] The Town having been informed by several Persons that a number of Soldiers with their Baggage landed Yesterday at Wheelwrights Wharff — one Gentleman supposing that there was not less than Sixty Men — Voted, that

M^r. William Mollineux
 Joshua Henshaw Esq.
 Joseph Jackson Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

be a Committee to make enquiry from time to time, whether any more Troops came up from Castle Island than they think necessary, and if they shall find it to be otherwise, that they then immediately acquaint the Selectmen in order for their calling a Meeting of the Inhabitants

Voted, that all Matters and things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the General Town Meeting in May next to be then considered of and acted upon —

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. and the other Gentlemen, Moderator and Pro. Temp. Moderators of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[246.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the 8th. Day of May Anno Domini — 1770 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Chauncey

The Precept and Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

Sundry Laws - - - - - read —

Joshua Henshaw Esq. one of the Selectmen proposed in their Name to the Inhabitants Assembled to proceed to the Choice of one or more Persons to Represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly to be held at — upon Wednesday the 30th of May Currant, and in order thereto to consider and ascertain the number of Gentlemen to be Elected; accordingly it was Voted to proceed to the Choice of Four Representatives, and then it was declared by the Selectmen that no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded, and that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in the number of the same were found to be Five hundred and thirteen and upon sorting them it appeared that the Four following Gentlemen were chose — Viz^t.—

The Hon ^{ble} . James Bowdoin Esq.	- - - - -	439
Hon ^{ble} . Thomas Cushing Esq.	- - - - -	510
M ^r . Samuel Adams	- - - - -	510
Hon ^{ble} . John Hancock Esq.	- - - - -	511

[247.] The choice of Representatives being over & declared by the Selectmen the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, and bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned

in the Warrant; accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, and brought in their Votes, and upon sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen —

The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq. having by the advice of his Physicians, retired into the Country for the recovery of his Health.

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to the Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq; for the great and important Services which as a Representative in the General Assembly through a Course of Years He has rendered to this Town and Province; particularly for his undaunted Exertions in the Common Cause of the Colonies from the beginning of the present glorious Struggle for the Rights of the British Constitution. At the same Time the Town cannot but express their Ardent Wishes for the recovery of His Health, and the continuance of those publick Services that must long be remembered with Gratitude, and distinguish his Name among the Patriots of America —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be a Committee to transmit to the Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq. an attested Copy of the foregoing Vote —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M:

3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment.

The Petition of a number of the Inhabitants "that the Selectmen may be empowered to make sale of several pieces of unimproved Land in diverse parts of the Town" — was read — whereupon

[248.] Voted, that M^r. William Whitewell
 Thomas Daws Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Downe
 M^r. John Brown
 M^r. Moses Gill
 M^r. Josiah Quincy
 M^r. Robert Pierpont

be a Committee to take the Petition into Consideration; confer with the Petitioners; enquire and search out what vacant Lands belong to the Town — and Report as soon as may be —

That Article in the Warrant Viz.¹ — "Whether the Town will give Instructions to the Gentlemen that may be chosen to Represent them in the next General Assembly — was read — whereupon

Voted, that Richard Dana Esq.
 M^r. Josiah Quincy
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 Joshua Henshaw Esq.
 Benjamin Kent Esq.

be a Committee to Consider of and prepare proper Instructions which they are desired to lay before the Town at the Adjournment.

The Committee who draw up by Order of the Town a Narrative of the late horred Massacre perpetrated by the Soldiery in this Town on the 5th of March last; presented an Appendix to said Narrative, which having been read and considered — Voted, that

the Same be accepted, and that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to said Committee for their strict adherence to the design of the Town in their appointment; and for their perfecting the Business in so correct and masterly a manner —

The Committee appointed to consider of the Petition [249.] Of M^r. Jacob Emmons praying, “that the Town would make him satisfaction for the damage he has or may sustain by the taking away of his Lands in Paddys Alley for the enlarging of a Street”; Reported verbally, “That in their Opinion M^r. Emmons the Petitioner had not pursued the steps of the Law, for the obtaining a compensation for the Land, taken from him by a Committee of the Justices and Selectmen who laid out or enlarged the Passage Way called Paddys Alley; that therefore the granting the Prayer of his Petition would be attended with difficulties, particularly by opening a Door for other Persons to apply to the Town who are under like Circumstances” — whereupon it was motioned that M^r. Emmons have leave to withdraw his Petition, and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Lovell, for his Salary as Master of the South Grammar School for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt for his Salary as Master of the North Grammar School for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter.

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. John Proctor for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Qu^r.

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in the Common for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter

[250.] Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Tileston for his Salary as Master of the North Writing School the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quart^r.

Voted, that the Sum of Sixty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Lovel for his Salary as Usher of the South Grammar School for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter

Voted, that a further Sum of Forty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Lovel as an encouragement for him to remain and exert himself in the Service of the Town the ensuing Year, the

same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Carter for his Salary as Usher of the Writing School in Queen Street, the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that a further Sum of Twenty five Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Carter as an encouragement for him to exert himself in the Service of the Town the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allow'd & paid to such Person as the Selectmen shall Appoint an Assistant for the Master of the Writing School in the Common the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

[251.] Voted, that the Sum of Thirty four Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Tileston Master of the Writing School at the North End for providing an Assistant for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury unto M^r. David Jeffries for his Services as Treasurer of the Town the Year past, and for all his Expences in that Office —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday May 15th. —
3. O'Clock P: M:

Tuesday May 15: 3. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

To the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Boston in Town Meeting Assembled May 15: 1770 —

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town of Boston at their Annual Meeting the 8th. Day of May last desiring the Selectmen to Visit the several public Schools in the Town, and to invite such Gentlemen to accompany them therein as they should think proper, and to Report thereon —

We the Subscribers accordingly attended that Service on Wednesday the 5th Day of July last accompanied by the following Gentlemen viz^t. —

The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.
Thomas Hubbard
William Brattle Esq.
Harrison Grey Esq.
John Erving Esq.
Thomas Flucker Esq.

[252.] The Hon^{ble}. James Pitts Esq.
James Otis Esq.

The Representatives of the Town
The Overseers of the Poor —
The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Checkley

M^r. Samuel Mather
 Mather Byles D: D:
 Andrew Eliot D: D:
 Samuel Cooper . . . D: D:

M^r. Treat ———
 M^r. Penuil Bowen
 M^r. Simeon Howard
 M^r. John Lothrop
 M^r. John Walley
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 William Sheaff Esq.
 M^r. Francis Johonnot.
 M^r. Caleb Blanchard.
 M^r. Nathaniel Appleton.
 M^r. Robert Williams.
 Cap^t. Solomon Davis.
 M^r. James Ivers.
 Cap^t. Job Prince.
 M^r. Samuel Procter.
 Byfield Lyde Esq.
 Isaac Smith Esq.
 Ezekial Goldthwait Esq.
 Commodore Hood
 M^r. Samuel Swift.
 M^r. John Adams.
 Richard Dana Esq.
 Coll^o. Thomas Marshall.
 Maj^r. Cunningham.
 Cap^t. Josiah Waters.
 M^r. Edward Carnes.
 M^r. Robert Jenkins.
 M^r. Ebenezer Storer.
 Melatiah Bourn Esq.

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And found the South Grammar School had 142 Scholars; the North Grammar School 60 Scholars; the South Writing School 203 Scholars; the North Writing School 258 Scholars; the Writing School in Queen Street 251 Scholars; all in very good order. —

Voted, that the above Report be accepted, and that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to visit the publick Schools the Year ensuing, and invite such Gentlemen to accompany them as they may think proper. —

The Committe Appointed to examine the Accompts of M^r. David Jeffries Town Treasurer have attended that Service and find the same right cast and well vouched; in which he charges himself with sundry Fines, Rents and other Incomes of the Town, as also with the Taxes of £8000,, — all which amount to the sum of £12331,, 2,, 6½ including the balance of old Account.

And the said Treasurer discharges himself by Sundry Abatements made the Collectors amounting to £347,, 17,, 9 By Drafts made by the Selectmen amounting to £3113,, — ,, 8½ of which he has paid £2553,, 16,, 11¼ and by Drafts made by the Overseers of the Poor which contain the Charges of the Alms house amounting

to £3330., 17., 5 of which he has paid £2162., 15., 7½. Also by Sundry Sums paid for Interest amounting to £220., 12., 6½; the whole amounting to £7212., 8., 5 —

The said Committee have inspected said Drafts in very particular manner and have examined the Vouchers produced by the Overseers of the Poor for the amount of their Drafts, and every other branch of publick Charge, amounting in all as above to £7212., 8., 5 [254.] As by Account of Town Treasury, in the Town Treasurers Books balance whereof being £5118., 14., 1½ is carried to Credit of new Account. —

Which Report and Account being read, Voted, that the same be and hereby is accepted —

Voted, that the Sum of Four thousand Pounds be Raised by a Tax upon Polls and Estates within this Town for Relief of the Poor and defreying other necessary Charges arising within the Town the Year ensuing —

The Committee appointed on the 8th. Instant to prepare Instructions for our Representatives, Reported the following Draft which being read and considered, was accepted by the Town Nemine Contradicente; And it was ordered, that the said Report be published in the several News Papers.

To the Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq. & Thomas Cushing Esq. M^r. Samuel Adams and the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. —

Gentlemen —

The Town of Boston by their late choice of you to Represent them in the ensuing General Court, have given strong proof of their confidence in your abilities and integrity. For no period since the perilous times of our venerable Fathers has worn a more gloomy and melancholy aspect. Unwarrantable and arbitrary exactions made upon the people — trade expiring, grievances murmurs discontents convulzing every part of the British Empire, forbode a day of tryal, in which under God nothing but strict virtue and inflexible fortitude can save us, from a rapacious and miserable distruction. A series of occurances, many recent events, and especially the late Journals [255.] Of the House of Lords afford great reason to believe, that a Deep laid & desperate plan of Imperial despotism has been laid, and partly executed, for the extinction of all civil liberty; — and from a gradual sapping the grand foundation from a subtle undermining the main pillars, breaking the strong bulwarks destroying the principal ramparts and battlements, the august and once revered, fortress of english freedom — the admirable work of ages, — the BRITISH CONSTITUTION seems fast tottering into fatal & inevitable ruin. The dreadful catastrophe threatens universal havock, and presents an awful warning to hazard all if peradventure, we in these distant confines of the Earth may prevent being totally overwhelm'd and buried under the ruins of our most established rights. For many Years past we have with sorrow beheld the approaching conflict; various have been the causes, which pressed on this decisive period, and everything now conspires to prompt a full exertion of our utmost vigilance wisdom and firmness; — and as y^e. exigencies of the

times require, not only the refined abilities of true policy; but the more martial virtues; conduct valor and intrepidity; So Gentlemen in giving you our suffrages, at this Election, we have devolved upon you a most important trust; to discharge which we doubt not you will summon up the whole united faculties of mind and body. —

We decline Gentlemen a minute detail of many momentous concerns, relative to which it is believed no Instructions need be given; but we shall express our thoughts on such matters as we suppose you will choose to have our explicit sentiments. —

A Grievance which will early present itself in the ensuing Sessions (and to redress which you are to take all proper and spirited methods) is that of holding the General Court at Harvard College, not only against antient usage and established law, but also against the welfare of that Seminary of learning, the happy advancement of which, this Province ever had and still have so much at heart. —

We would have you Gentlemen particularly Scrutinize into the wise and cautious transactions of our worthy Fathers in 1721. They it should be known, in that year tho not directly called to weigh [256.] The high importance of the question, yet, on this very matter, behaved with a political foresight, and sagacious circumspection, truly admirable and worthy imitation: The small pox then almost as pestilential as the plague, rendred the Meeting of the General Court in Boston morally impossible; yet so convinced was the Governor of the Province of his own defect of authority to remove the General Assembly out of Town, that when all the Members daring to attend the Court in that infectious season, were assembled in the Council Chamber unable to make a quorum of the lower House they were expressly assured by his Excellency that the proposed adjourning into the Country should not be drawn into President. Accordingly a reliance doubtless being had on such solemn assurance, no objections appear entred on record against the Adjournment, when thro' a providential calamity, a transaction of business in the proper place was become really impracticable. No Proverb is more familiar, than that necessity knows no law; and the Court no doubt on this natural consideration was immediately adjourned out of this Town. Yet so universally sensible were the people of that duty, and especially the three branches of Legislature, that an act of the whole Court, even when such a fatal emergency had forced the Adjournment, absolutely requisite to legalize and capacitate for their proceedure to publick business: — and accordingly a vote passed the honourable House to that purpose, the same was concurred by his Majesty's Council, and approved & formally assented to, by the Commander in Chief: — all which appears on the publick records of the Province. Now we should be glad to be informed, how these proceedings in essence sense and spirit, differ from a full ample and final denunciation of the law establishing the seat of Government.

We are not ignorant that in 1728/9 a controversy was forced on relative to this point. This dispute had its rise, like many of

more modern date, in consequence of ministerial Instructions which to borrow a phrase of the then House "are not pleasant to mention." — (257.) We are not unacquainted that his Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor General were at this time consulted relative to our legal seat of Government. We also know that the then Governor (Burnet) treating upon the same subject informed the House of Representatives, that the *King Determined* the point," according to the Attorney General and "Solicitors opinion, that "the sole power of dissolving proroguing and adjourning the General Court or Assembly as to time or place is IN HIS MAJESTYS GOVERNOR, and that the reasons against it from the tenth of King William had no real foundation; *there being no clause in that Act laying any such restraint upon the Governor.*"

Here it should be well observed is not barely a tacit but an express declaration that the sole power of dissolving is "devolved entirely" upon, and exclusively vested "in the Governor" From hence in our opinion, this consequence unavoidably follows, that no Instructions orders or mandates whatever ought to direct and control *such power solely in the Governor.* For it is not merely absurd in theory, and most mischievous in practise, that an authority incapacitated by distance to Judge of local and other critical circumstances, should have a power to fix such an important movement, but moreover it is palpably contrariant to the plain words of the preceding determination. We freely own it would have given us more satisfaction to have seen this opinion under the hand of those Lawyers. But we would here Gentlemen direct you carefully to notice and remember, that as we always expect to defend our own rights & libertys so we are unalterably fixed to Judge for ourselves of their real existence, agreeable to law. Yet as we believe this same opinion is far from being well grounded so we now offer a few comments thereon; for your future consideration. But let it be recorded that we enter upon this task, protesting against the pretended right or power of any Crown Lawyer, or any exterior authority upon Earth to determine limit or ascertain all or any of our constitutional or chartered, natural or civil political or sacred Rights liberties and privileges or immunities. These words there being no clause in the "Act of 10th. of William laying any such *constraints* upon the Governor" contained in the afore cited opinion are we conclude intended to convey that as the Kings prerogative to remove the (258.) General Court at pleasure is not by express words taken away so such a power remains inherent in the Crown. We do allow indeed that the Kings Prerogative was once thought "a topic too delicate and sacred to be profaned by the pen of a Subject, that it was ranked among the *arcana imperii*, and like the misteries of the *bona dea* was not suffered to be pried into by any but such as were initiated into its Service: because perhaps the exertion of the one, like the solemnities of the other would not bear the inspection of a rational & sober enquiry" We also have heard that there hath been a British Potentate who "dared to direct on English Parliament to abstain from dircoursing of matters of state; that even that august assembly ought not to deal to Judge or to meddle with *Majestys Preroga-*

tive Royal" — and James the first with his high notions of the Divinity of regal sway, more than once laid it down in his speeches, that "as it was athesm and blashemy in a Creature to dispute what the Deity might do so it is presumption and sedition in a subject to dispute what a King might do in the height of his powers; Good Christians he adds will be content with Gods will revealed in his word, and good Subjects will rest in the Kings will, revealed in his Law" Surely when such mystical Jargon, such absurd and infamous rant was thus openly denounced in a Realm famed for understanding, freedom and true magnanimitie nothing except an ineffable contempt of the reigning Monarch diverted that indignant vengeance, which would otherwise have made his illustrious throne to tremble and hurl'd the Royal diadem from his forfeit head.

The Kings prerogative in its largest extent includes only certain rights and privileges which *by law* the King hath as a third power of the Commonwealth intrusted with the execution of *laws already in being*. This prerogative our law pronounces to be *solely governed by the laws of the land*; those being the measure as well of the Kings power as the Subjects obedience. For as the laws assert & bound the Just rights of the King; so they likewise declare & maintain the [259.] Rights and liberties of the people; hence it is adjudged law, that all prerogatives must be for the advantage and good of the people, otherwise such pretended prerogatives are to be allowed by law. Even our Crown Lawyers will inform us "that one of the principal bulwarks of civil liberty, or in other words of the British constitution is the limitation of the Kings prerogative by bounds so certain and notorious, that it is impossible he should ever exceed them, without the consent of the people on the one hand, or without on the other a violation of that original contract, which in all states implicitly and in ours most expressly subsists between the Prince and the Subject — And for a consideration of the extent and the restrictions of the Kings prerogative, this conclusion will evidently follow that the powers which are vested in the Crown by the Laws of England; are necessary for the support of society; and do not retrench any further on our *natural* rights than is expedient for the maintainance of our civil. Sir Henry Finch under Charles the first tho' he lays down the law of prerogative in very strong and emphatical terms, yet qualifies it with a general restriction in regard to the liberties of the people — The King (says he) hath a prerogative in all things that are not injurious to the Subject, *in them all* it must be remembered, that the *Kings prerogative stretcheth* not to the doing of any wrong. And finally the best definition of the *prerogative*, which our law books afford is "that discretionary power of acting for the *public good* where the positive laws are silent and if this discretionary power be abused to the publick detriment, such *prerogative* is exerted in an unconstitutional manner.

We Gentlemen have been thus particular in our instructions on this head, because we apprehend that this point of prerogative thro' great inattention hath been much mistaken; and also because

every *other* matter, set forth in the aforesaid opinion of M^r. Attorney and Soliciter General has been irrefragably confuted by diverse Judicious replys of succeeding houses of Assembly. Now the clear law laid down (to the spirit of which we do order you punctually to adhere) proves beyond a cavil, that if the late removal of our General Court was not against plain provincial law, yet that such removal is not only unwarrantable by the principles of Crown [260.] Law, but is directly repugnant to the fundamental institutions even of prerogative law — For will any one be so weak or wicked; nay, will even a Crown lawyer for his stipend or pension have the front publicly to maintain, that the late alteration of the seat of our General Assembly is “for the advantage and good of the people,” or “for the necessary support of society,” or that this assumed “prerogative stretcheth not to any wrong” “Now if all this and much more, is not maintained, then waving our provincial law relative to the seat of government, we with good authority say, that the holding the General Court, from its antient and proper station, is unwarrantable unconstitutional illegal and oppressive. We have given you Gentlemen our full sentiments touching this important concern, because you ought not to be at any loss how to conduct your self herein conformable to the Judgment of your Constituents. — But had we not here spoken so largely nay had the express letter of the law been less favourable, & were it possible to romack up any absurd obsolete notion, which might have seemed calculated to propogate slavish doctrines, we should by no means have been influenced to forego our birth rights. For the prime and only reason which originated all laws, but more particularly and expressly the prerogative, was the general emolument of the state, and therefore when any pretended prerogatives do not advance this grand purpose, they have no legal obligation; and when any strictly Just prerogatives are exerted to promote any different design, they also cease to be binding. Indeed was a Soliciter General of Majesty in an express treatise “of the Kings prerogative will teach us” that mankind will not be reasoned out of the feelings of humanity nor will sacrifice their liberty by a scrupulous adherence to those political maxims, which were originally established to preserve it. —

The despicable situation of our provincial militia you will make the object of your peculiar attention; and as it is [261.] apparent From what putred source, this decline of military emulation hath flow'd we press, that such animated steps may be taken as shall speedily remove this Just reproach from the land. — When every method is obstinately pursued to enervate with foreign luxuries, every artifice practised to corrupt, in order to enslave, when we are denied a free constitutional exercise of our rights as Men and Citizens; when high handed invasions are made on our property, and audacious attempts to intimidate not only from resistance but complaint; surely the constitutional watchmen and centinels of our liberties are asleep upon their stations, or traitors to the main body, if they do not rouse and risque from this invidious plot. —

As a laudable and voluntary renunciation of a baneful Com-

merce has naturally occasioned a general stagnation of trade; and as the true riches of a people are numbers and industry we warmly recommend to you such measures as will tend to increase population, encourage industry and promote our own manufactures; and as this is a very pacifick political devise for the defeat of our malicious foes, we presume it may be less obnoxious to the virulent slander of ministerial dependants — but these salutary methods of genuine policy ought never to exclude or supersede the more open, manly, bold and pertenacious exertions for our freedom.

One of the most weighty matters, which attracts our affection, and lies deep in the heart of every honest sensible American, is the firm and lasting union of the Colonies; There is no one point which ought more to engage our affectionate zeal. Our enemies well knowing the consequence of this great acquisition, have bent their whole force to render it abortive. Without the least foundation Jealousies have been assiduously infused, diabolical falsehood forged, idle tales propogated, little discords fomented; and every engine that fraud could invent, and hardy villains manage, has been set to work in order to retard if not utterly overthrow this desirable attainment, but all has not done it. The Eyes of our worthy Brethren thro' the Continent are open — yet as we know the plotting mallice inveteracy & indefatiguable labour of the desperately wicked, we strongly inculcate that you be zealous to keep up a cordial intercourse, with our Sister Colonies; and as our interests are so apparently inseparable, nothing but an intimate [262.] Communion is requisite to cement our political and natural attachment —

We have for a long time beheld with grief and astonishment the unwarrantable practise of ministerial instructions to the Commanders in Chief of this Province; it is high time Gentlemen for this matter to be searched into and remedied. —

Such an enormous stretch of power, if much longer unchecked, will eventually annihilate the essentials of all civil liberty. It is repugnant to the very first principle of true government (which was alone instituted for the good of the governed) that a remote power not only much disconnected but often different in interests should undertake at pleasure to controul any command in affairs of the last moment for the benefit and relief of the people — a power 3000 transmarine miles distant, not only ignorant of our true welfare, but if perchance discovered interested to oppose it; not only attempting to oppress, but actually oppressing — that such a power should be allowed, wontonly to proscribe patricians & plebeins, at will to fix the residence of our parliament; to order that parliament when and how to proceed, and where to retire; at one time to forbid the best improvement of our own produce, at another time effectually to force us to purchase foreign merchandize; and again as it were sword in hand to demand our property; and anon to forbid our own disposal of a certain part of it — these are doctrines & political solicisms which may take root and spring up, under the meridian of modern Rome; but we trust in God will not flourish in the soil and climate of British America. We therefore strictly charge you not to grant any supplies to the instru-

ments of government if through their defect or misapplication the grand end for which we support and pay our Rulers are not accomplished. We also recommend to you carefully to enquire into the state of criminal [263.] Prosecution in our executive courts; and endeavor to revive the antient method of appointing the Attorney General, agreeable to charter; for we believe that such a step will be attended with very salutary consequences, in the advancement of public Justice, the punishment of offenders and the general good order of the Province —

Our choice of you Gentlemen to represent us at this hazardous Juncture is a sufficient evidence of our great dependence on your wise honest and steady conduct — We therefore leave all other matters to your best discretion and Judgment; till we shall see fit to give further instructions — We greatly confide that you will bear in strong remembrance, the hardships and sufferings of our pious fathers, to find out and purchase this remote asylym from ecclesiastical persecution and civil tyranny; that inspired by their glorious example, you will vigorously repel even unto the uttermost the insults and violences of internal and external enemies to our peace. We remind you that the further Nations recede and give way to the gigantick strides of any powerful Despot, the more rapidly will the Fiend advance to spread wide desolation; and then should an attempt be made to stay his ravaging progress — “the dogs of war let loose and hot for blood rush on to waste and havock! — *Obsta principiis* is the maxim to be held in view. It is now no time to halt between two opinions; the demands of fraud, violence and usurpation are unsatiable. It is therefore no season to stand listning to subtle allurements, deceitful cajolings, or formidable threatenings. We therefore enjoin you at all hazards to deport (as we rely your own hearts will stimulate) like the faithful Representatives of a freeborn, awakened and determined people — who being impregnated with the spirit of liberty in conception, and nurtured in principles of freedom from their infancy are resolved to breathe the same celestial ether, till summoned to resign the heavenly flame by that omnipotent God who gave it —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be and they hereby are appointed to act upon the list of Jurors —

[264.] The Town brought in their Votes for one Overseer of the Poor, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Samuel Abbot

was chosen Overseer of the Poor for the Year ensuing.

Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the 6th. Day of June Anno Domini 1770 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. Ebenezer Pemberton.

The Precept and Warrant for calling the Meeting — read.

Joshua Henshaw Esq. one of the Selectmen proposed in their name to the Inhabitants Assembled to the choice of one Person to Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly in their present Sessions and so for the remaining part of the Year in the room of the Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq. Elected into his Majesty's Council. Accordingly it was Voted to proceed to the [265.] choice Of one Representative And then it was declared by the Selectmen that no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded, and that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in the number of the same were found to be Five hundred and thirty six, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

John Adams Esq.

was chosen by a great majority 418 Votes —

The choice of Representatives being over and declared by the Selectmen, the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other affairs mentioned in the Warrant; accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew and brought in their Votes, and upon sorting them it appeared that William Phillips Esq. was chosen

The Town being informed soon after that Mr. Phillips was not in Boston, withdrew as directed and brought in their Votes for another Moderator, and upon sorting them it appeared that John Ruddock Esq. was chosen, almost unanimously —

The Town brought in their Votes for one Overseer of the Poor; the choice of Mr. Abbot on the 15th. of May last not being apprehended by the Town to be altogether legal as the Inhabitants were not particularly notified of the choice of said Officer before the time of Meeting: Upon sorting of the Votes it appeared that the aforesamed

Mr. Samuel Abbot

was chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the remainder of the Year in the room of Thomas Tyler Esq. lately deceased —

The Town brought in their Votes for one Assessor in the room of Mr. William Fairfield lately deceased, and upon sorting them it appeared that

[266.] Gyles Harris Esq.

was chosen an Assessor for the remainder of the Year —

Upon a Motion made and seconded — Voted, unanimously, that it is the desire of this Town in consideration of the present aspect of Divine Providence towards the British Nation, and these American Colonies; that a Day be set apart for fasting and prayer through this Province; and that the Gentlemen who represent us in General Assembly, communicate our sentiments to their other Brethren of the House —

Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to John Ruddock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the 10th. Day of July Anno Domini 1770. 9 O'Clock A : M :

Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of New Hampshire Connecticut [267.] Rhode Island, which were administred to him by M^r. Justice Avery

Sundry Letters received by Cap^t. Gardner Master of the Packet taken up by the Town, in answer to those by him to our Friends in England, relative to the horred Massacre on 5th. of March last, were read to the Town —

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “ And that such further steps may be taken as shall be Judged necessary, to counteract the designs of those inveterate Enemies among us, who there is reason to think are still continuing their Misrepresentations, and using their Endeavours to increase the present unhappy misunderstanding between Great Britain and the Colonies ” — was read and considered whereupon Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

John Hancock Esq.

Richard Dana Esq.

M^r. William Phillips

M^r. William Mollineux

D^r. Joseph Warren

M^r. Ebenezer Storer

M^r. William Greanleaff

be a Committee to draw up a true state of the Town, and the conduct of the Commissioners since the 5th. of March last; and to Report the same at the Adjournment —

A Motion made that the printed Narratives of the late horred Massacre, which has been retained by order of the Town in the hands of the Committee; may now be sold by the Printers, and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Narrative —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Fryday next the 13th. Instant 3 O'Clock P : M :

[268.] Fryday the 13 July 1770. 3 O'Clock P : M : Town met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed the 10 Inst^t. to draw up a true state of the Town and the conduct of the Commissioners of the Board of Customs since the 5th. of March last — Reported a draft of a Letter to be sent our friends in England, and the same having been read and considered — Voted, that said draft be accepted, and that the said Committee be desired to transmit fair Copys of said Letter to such Gentlemen in England as theyshall think proper —

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Monday the 20 Day of August Anno Domini 1770.

Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

Richard Dana Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Government of New Hampshire Connecticut & Rhode Island, which were Administred to him by M^r. Justice

[269.] The Petition of a number of Inhabitants setting forth, "That the Passage Way leading from the North part of Faneuil Hall Market into Ann Street and Union Street, is so narrow as often times to obstruct the passing of Carts, Trucks and other Carriages thereby endangering the Limbs and Lives of the Inhabitants, and is a public Nuisance, and praying that said Passage Way may be widened and enlarged, either by filling up the South West part of the Town Dock, so far as to render the same convenient for the passage of Carriages &c. or in such other manner as to them may seem meet" — was read, and upon a Motion made & seconded — the Question was put — Whether the Town will proceed to take into Consideration the Subject matter of this Petition as inserted in the Warrant Passed in the Affermative. —

The above Petition having been read and considered — Voted, that the Selectmen be desired and impower'd to fill up the Dock from the South East Corner of the Towns Land to the Warehouse occupied by the Heirs of the late John Fayerweather Esq. on a strait line to the Northwest Corner opposite to M^r. Joseph Tylers Shop (without obstructing the several Drains) for the present accommodation of Faneuil Hall Market, reserving to the Town their right of shutting up said Ways, when they shall Judge it convenient

Voted unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Richard Dana Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[270.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall August 24th, 1770. —

Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of New Hampshire Connecticut and Rhode Island.

The Venire directed to the Constables of Boston for the choice of Six Grand Jurors and eighteen Petit Jurors for August Court was read —

The after examination, finding that the Temporary Law for regulating the choice of Jurymen was expired, and having taken

the Opinion of Richard Dana Esq. Council at Law, proceeded to the choice of Jurymen agreeable to the Venire; and the following Persons were nominated and chose — Viz'.

6 Grand Jurors.

M^r. Ebenezer Lowell
M^r. Joseph Turell
M^r. John Cunningham
M^r. William Palfrey
M^r. Thomas Jackson
Benjamin Austin Esq.

18 Petit Jurors

M^r. Thomas Fletcher
M^r. Richard Boynton - - - - - excused

M^r. Daniel Jones
George Irving Esq.

[271.]

M^r. Josiah Torrey

M^r. Edward Grant

M^r. Henry Hill

M^r. Nathaniel Barret

M^r. George Trott

Thomas Amory Esq. - - - - - excused

Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon

M^r. Phillip Dumaresque - - - - - excused

Benjamin Faneuil Esq.

M^r. Robert Rand

Cap^t. Solomon Davis

Moses Peck - - - (served within the time)

M^r. Joshua Gardner

M^r. John Winnitt - - - - - excused

M^r. Joshua Green - - - - -

M^r. Samuel Ridgway Jun^r. - - - - - excused

M^r. William Lowder

M^r. William Frobisher

Ezekiel Lewis Esq. - (served within the time)

M^r. Charles Coffin

M^r. Neal M^cIntyre

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for his services —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[272.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Thursday the 20th. of September Annoqui Domini 1770

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Government of New Hampshire, Connecticut and Rhode Island —

The Petition of diverse of the Freeholders representing " that the Town have at their late Meeting Voted to fill up part of the Town Dock in order to enlarge the Passage Way, and that they apprehend it will be attended with much greater Expence to the Town than if the same was wholly filled up, therefore praying that the minds of the Inhabitants may be taken upon the matter, that they may act upon the same as they may think meet" — was read, — after debate had thereon — Voted, that —

John Ruddock Esq.
Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
Joseph Jackson Esq.
M^r. William Cooper
John Scollay Esq.

be a committee to take the Petition into Consideration enquire into the Titles to the Dock, and make Report as soon as may be

The Proposal of a number of the Inhabitants for forming a Society in order to promote Arts, Agriculture, Manufactures and Commerce in this Province" — was read and upon a Motion made and seconded — Voted, that

[273.]

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams
M^r. Thomas Boylston
John Adams Esq.
D^r. Joseph Warren
M^r. William Dennie

be a Committee to take the Proposal into Consideration, and Report as soon as may be —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Saturday the 29th. Instant 3 O'Clock P: M:

Saturday the 29th. Day of September 3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting being out of Town, the Inhabitants Assembled proceeded to the choice of another, when it appeared that John Ruddock Esq. was chosen Moderator, during the necessary absence of John Hancock Esq —

A Venire for the choice of Six Persons to Serve as Jurymen at the Inferior Court in October next was read — and the Town having proceeded to the choice of Jurymen, according to the standing Law of this Province, the Temporary Law for the regulating the choice of Petit Jurymen being expired —

M^r. William Daws
M^r. William Phillips
M^r. Richard Salter
M^r. Andrew Boardman
M^r. John Scott
M^r. Thomas Drown

were the Persons chose, and the Venire was then return'd to Constable Wells

[274.] The Committee appointed to Consider the Petition of a number of Inhabitants relative to filling up the Town Dock, and also to enquire into the Titles of the Abutters &c. having informed

the Town that they were not ready to make Report thereon — It was the desire of the Town that they would make Report at the Adjournment

The Committee relative to the proposal of a number of the Inhabitants for forming a Society in order to promote Arts, Agriculture, Manufactures and Commerce in this Province, not being present their Report which had been lodged with the Town Clerk, was not read, but the consideration thereof referred to the Adjournment

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday next, being the 8th. Instant 10 O'Clock Before Noon —

Monday October 8. 10. O'Clock A: M: Met according to Adjournment, M^r. Hancock in the Chair —

John Ruddock Esq. Chairman of the Committee to Consider the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants relative to filling up the Dock &c. acquainted the Town that said Committee were not then able to Report as fully as they intended; and therefore desired leave to Report at the Adjournment which was accordingly granted.

M^r. Ruddock then motioned that as the business of the Adjournment was of considerable importance to the Inhabitants; the Selectmen might be directed to issue timely Notifications of the Adjournment of this Meeting and the Business that will then come before the Town, that so there may be a punctual and general attendance of the Inhabitants — And the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affirmative —

[275.] Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday next being the 15. of October inst^d. 10. O'Clock Before Noon —

Met according to Adjournment this 15 Day of October 1770. 10 O'Clock A: M:

The Committee appointed by the Town “to enquire into the Titles of the Abutters, on the Town Dock, and to determine whether the same shall be filled up agreeable to the prayer of a Petition for that purpose” attended this Meeting and informed the Town that they were only ready to make a partial Report — whereupon it was moved, that the Question be put — “Whether the Report of the Committee should be received in so thin a Meeting of the Inhabitants, — and the Question

Voted, that the Committee appointed to Consider of the Proposal of a number of the Inhabitants for forming a Society to promote Agriculture, Manufactures and Commerce in this Province as also the Committee appointed on the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants relative to filling up the Dock &c. be desired to make their Several Reports at the next General Town Meeting —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. Moderator of this Meeting for his Services as Moderator —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[276.] Prayer was made by the Rev^d. M^r. Mather —
 Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —
 Sundry Laws enjoin'd to be read at this Meeting were accord-
 ingly read —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen Moderator of
 this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying & receiving
 Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hamp-
 shire and Rhode Island, as required by an Act of this Province —

M^r. William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year
 ensuing, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and
 receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut, New
 Hampshire & Rhode Island, took the Oath of Office for the faith-
 ful discharge of his duty, which Oaths were Administred to him
 by M^r. Justice Dana —

The Town proceeded to the choice of Seven Selectmen and the
 Votes being brought in and sorted, it appeared that

The Hon^{ble}. Joshua Henshaw Esq. - - - (excused)

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson Esq.

John Ruddock Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches

M^r. Jonathan Mason

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

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[277.] The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Over-
 seers of the Poor, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Barret Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. Royal Tyler Esq.

M^r. Benjamin Dolbear

M^r. William Whitwell

M^r. William Greanleaff

William White Esq.

M^r. Joseph Waldo - - - - - (excused)

John Leveret Esq.

John Gore Esq.

Cap^t. Samuel Partridge

M^r. Samuel Whitwell

M^r. Samuel Abbot

were chose Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing —

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Upon a Motion made Voted, that 4 O'Clock Afternoon be
 assign'd for the choice of a County Register, and a County
 Treasurer —

The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Wardens and upon
 sorting them it appeared that —

Isaac Smith Esq.

Coll^o. Thomas Marshall Esq.

M^r. David Jeffries.

M^r. Ebenezer Storer

Onesip^o. Tileston Esq.

John Gore Esq.
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 Cap'. Martin Gay
 M^r. Daniel Waldo
 M^r. Caleb Davis
 M^r. John White
 M^r. Daniel Parker —

[278.] Were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing —
 The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire-Wards and
 upon sorting them it appeared, that —

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 John Rowe Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 M^r. John Mico Wendell.
 Coll^o. Thomas Marshall Esq.
 M^r. Joseph Tyler
 Cap'. Adino Paddock
 M^r. James Richardson
 Cap'. Benjamin Waldo —
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams —
 Thomas Daws Esq. —
 M^r. Alexander Hill —
 Francis Shaw Esq.

were chose Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer and
 upon sorting them it appeared, that M^r. David Jeffries was chosen
 and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and receiving
 Bills of Credit of the other Governments, took the Oath of Office
 for the faithful discharge of his duty which Oaths were Adminis-
 tred to him by M^r. Justice —

Mess^{rs}. Richard Palms

Joseph Dommet
 William Fowle
 William Smith —

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Moses Grant
 Ebenezer Bridgham
 Frederick William Geer
 Josiah Eliot
 William Jones —
 John Hunt Tertius
 John Nazro
 William Cazneau

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing —

Upon a Motion made and seconded — the Question was put —
 Whether Constables & Collectors of Taxes shall be chose sepper-
 ate — Passed in the affirmative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be Remitted out of the
 Ten Pounds Fine to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office
 of Constable for the Year ensuing, and shall decline serving —

Voted, that the Sum of Twelve Pence on the pound, be and

hereby is allowed to such Persons as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall Collect ; provided they pay into the several Treasuries the whole Sum committed to them to Collect on or before the 10th. Day of August 1772 Eight Pence on the Pound on all such other Sums as they shall have so paid into said Treasuries on or before the 20th. Day of December 1772 — and Four Pence upon the pound upon the remainder of the Sums they shall be obliged to Collect provided such remainder shall be fully paid in on or before the second Monday in March 1773 This Premium as above expressed appears to be Just and equitable, and an ample Allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to discharge their Duty with diligence and fidelity ; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with sufficient Sureties to the satisfaction of [280.] The Selectmen for the faithful discharge of their duty in said Office, and complying with this Vote —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Four Collectors of Taxes, and upon sorting them it appeared that

Mess^{rs}. Sampson Salter
Edward Hollyday
Abraham Savage
Benjamin Henderson

were chose into that Office —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mr. John Kneeland
Mr. Benjamin Church
Belcher Noyes Esq.
Mr. Daniel Pecker
Mr. Jonathan Brown
Moses Deshon Esq.
Gyles Harris Esq.

were chose Assessors for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. William Nichols
Andrew Symms
Clement Collins
Henry Allen
Isaac Vergoose
John Grenough
Jacob Thayer
Joseph Edmunds
John Skillins
Richard Walker
John Champney
John Bulfinch
Abraham Howard
Joseph Butler
Joseph Eyres
Thomas Bayley
Andrew Townsend
Joseph Ballard
John Holland

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John Rogers
 Edmund Ranger
 Thomas Uran
 Elisha Homes
 Obediah Low
 Benjamin Page

were chose Surveyers of Boards for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. John Joy
 Obediah Low
 Samuel Dyer
 John Dyer
 William Crafts

were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Bangs
 Joseph Clark—
 Daniel Parks
 Benjamin Bass
 Cap^t. Adino Paddock - - - (excused)
 Thomas Noland

were chose Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing—

Mess^{rs}. William Daws Jun.
 Thomas Edes—

were chose Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing—

[282.] Mess^{rs}. Peter Cotta
 Manesseh Masters
 Joseph Dyer
 John Harskins
 David Spear
 Jonathan Jenkins
 Job Wheelright
 Joshua Pico—
 Benjamin Salt
 Paul Baxter—
 John Owen
 Thomas Knox
 Samuel White
 Edward Cowell
 Edward Potter
 Peter Ellis
 Timothy Pease
 Nathaniel Waterman
 Jacob Williams
 Samuel Bernard —
 John Newell
 Joseph Phillips
 Henry Lucas
 Caleb Hayden

were chose Cullers of Staves for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. David Simins
 Thomas Curtis

were chose Hogreeves for the Year ensuing—

Mr. Thomas Curtis
was chosen Hayward for the Year ensuing—

[283.] Mr. John Gray
was chosen Surveyer of Hemp for the Year ensuing—

Upon a Motion made and seconded, it was Voted, that the Scavengers be chose out of their respective Wards, one to each Ward

	Wards.
Mess ^{rs} . John R. Sigorney - - - - -	N ^o . 1
After Stoddard - - - - -	2
Edward Foster - - - - -	3
Freeman Pulsifer - - - - -	4
John Merrit - - - - -	5
Thomas Russell - - - - -	6
Joseph Ridgaway - - - - -	7
William Perkins - - - - -	8
Robert Williams - - - - -	9
Elisha Eaton - - - - -	10
John Martin - - - - -	11
Benjamin Wheeler - - - - -	12

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing—
John Tudor Esq.

Mr. John Lucas
were chose Snveyers of Wheat for the Year ensuing—

Cap^t. Martin Gay
Mr. John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing—
Voted that the Selectmen be desired to enforce the duty of Scavengers upon such as have been chose into that Office; and if they should find any defects in the Laws relating to those Officers, that they Report the same to the Town, that they may act thereon as they shall Judge proper.

[284.] Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P: M :

3 O'Clock P: M : Met according to Adjournment.

The Selectmen Reported on the Account of Mr. Benjamin Fenno Keeper of the Granary for the Year past which Account as entred on his Books, (and on file in the Town Clerks Office, was read— whereupon it was Voted, that the same be accepted) and that Mr. Fenno be accountable to the Town for 70 bushels of Indian Meal and 242 bushells of Rye Meal amounting to £56 ,, 12 ,, 10 and also for the Sum of £154 ,, 6 ,, 7½ Cash now in his hands, exclusive of the Sum of £32 ,, 13 ,, 4 for his Salary and attendance as charged in his Account, which is hereby allowed him—

Col^l. Joseph Jackson Esq.
John Leveret Esq.
Mr. John Sweetser.

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, and they are desired and impowered to give all needful direction to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the Quantity of Grain to be sold, and affixing the price thereof from time to time as occasion shall require; and the said Committe are desired and directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground in the New Mills near the Mill Bridge now occupied by Mr. George Leonard—

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Constables the Persons chose into that Office and sworn are ——

[285.] Mess^{rs}. Augustus Hail
 Elias Dupee
 George Thomas
 Francis Salmon
 Peter Barbour
 Stephen Symms
 Hezekial Usher
 John Wells
 John Bennet
 Thomas Chapman
 Samuel Greanleaff
 Edward Blake ——

The Petition of a large number of the Inhabitants Setting forth “that on account of the many fatal Accidents that happen by the explosion of Magazines of Powder in large and populous Citys, they apprehend their lives and properties in common with the rest of their Fellow Citizens; to be very insecure from the Powder house being situated where it now is, and therefore praying the Town to take the matter into Consideration and make such Application as they shall think effectual for its removal” was read and considered — whereupon the Question was put — Whether the Town will make Application for the removal of the Powder-house out of this Town to a place of greater safety — Passed in the Affermative.

Voted, that the Selectmen be and hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare a Petition to the General Court praying the removal of the Powder House out of this Town, and to Report at the Adjournment ——

Votes for a County Register brought in and sealed up by Constable Dupee to whose care they are delivered to be returned to the Court of Sessions ——

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in & sealed [286.] up Constable Dupee to whose care they are delivered to be returned to the Court of Sessions ——

The Petition of a number of the Inhabitants “praying that the Watch may be replaccd at or near the Fortification for reasons expressed in said Petition ——

Voted, that Benjamin Kent Esq.
 Richard Dana Esq.
 John Hill Esq.
 Belcher Noyes Esq.
 Melatiah Bourn Esq.

be a Committee to take this Petition into Consideration & Report at the Adjournment ——

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday next 10. O’Clock before Noon.

Tuesday the 12. Day of March, 10 O’Clock Before Noon, met according to Adjournment ——

The Moderator having read to the Town a Letter from the

Hon^{ble}. Joshua Henshaw Esq. desiring that upon account of his ill state of health he might be excused from serving as a Selectmen, into which Office he had been again chosen — he was accordingly excused — And upon Motion

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Joshua Henshaw Esq. for his faithful services as a Selectman in Years past —

[287.] The Town proceeded to the choice of one Selectman in the room of Joshua Henshaw Esq. who had resigned, and the Votes being brought in and sorted it appeared that —

M^r. Ebenezer Storer

was chosen a Selectman for the Year ensuing —

The Selectmen

were chose Surveyers of High ways for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that Nicholas Boylston Esq.

Thomas Gray Esq.

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

M^r. John Pitts —

Thomas Daws Esq.

be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Audit the Accompts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries and also the Accompts of the Overseers of the Poor, and the said Committee are enjoin'd to inspect every particular Accompt of the Moneys expended for the use of the Almshouse, they are also impowered when they shall Audit said Accompts to allow such of the Overseers as shall have advanced Moneys for the relief of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums from the time so advanced till they shall have Audited said Accompts: and they are also desired to Report from time to time a state of a Treasury respecting the Debts & Credits and on many matters that they may think proper —

The Petition of Jonathan Payson Esq. setting forth “that he has allowing for what is coming to him as his premium of Collecting discharged the whole of what was due to the Town Province & County Treasurers to the Sum of One hundred & twenty Pounds ten Shillings and eight Pence half Penny; and praying that the same may be Remitted him, the whole of which having been in the course of sixteen Years, by means of [288.] some of the Persons assessed going beyond Sea or into other Towns and Provinces, becoming Bankrupts or dying Insolvent as by a List to be offered will appear” — was read, and after debate had thereon —

Voted, that Jonathan Williams Esq.

M^r. Alexander Hill

Meletiah Bourn Esq.

M^r. Samuel Austin

Ezekial Goldthwait Esq.

be a Committee to take the Petition into consideration, as also to examine the List M^r. Payson has exhibited to the Town of his Outstanding Debts — and to Report at the Adjournment —

The Petition of M^r. John Green representing, “that on the Evening of the 5. of March last being on his lawful Business near Long Lane and hearing the cry of Fire he run up Leverets Lane, and just as he turned Mess^{rs}. Amorys Corner, the Soldiers fired,

at which time one of the Balls enterd his Thigh, whereby he was wounded in a dangerous manner and praying that the Town would discharge his Surgeons Bill for reasons therein given" — read and debate had thereon whereupon it was Voted, that

Coll^o. Thomas Marshall Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

M^r. Peter Boyer

be a Committee to take this Petition into Consideration and make Report at the Adjournment. —

Voted, that the Assessors be and hereby are impowered and directed, to set for Abatement of such Taxes as they shall Judge reasonable on every Wednesday, till the last Wednesday in April inclusive, and no longer, saving that they be [289.] Allowed to set the two last weeks in November for the Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons as had not an opportunity of applying in the above limited time, by reason of their being out of the Province; at which time they are also allowed & impowered to Abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died Insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April and the last Day of November —

A Letter from that celebrated Patriot, D^r. Lucas of Ireland, owning the Receipt of one transmitted him by a Committee of this Town together with the Pamphlet relative to the horred Massacre in Boston March 5. 1770 — was read and attended to with the highest satisfaction

Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M: —

3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

Voted, that the Consideration of Schoolmasters Salarys, and all other Salarys and Grants be referred over to next May Meeting

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is impowered and directed to borrow on Interest a Sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds lawful Money, for the use of the Overseers of the Poor, to purchase Grain &c. for the Alms-house.

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is directed and impowered to give his Negotiable Notes upon Interest to such of the Overseers of the Poor as are in advance for the relief of the Town, for such Sums as appear to be due to them respectively, upon the Auditing of their Acco^t to y^e present Month.

[290.] D^r. Lucas's Letter was again read and upon a Motion Voted, that The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

Richard Dana Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to return a respectful answer to this Letter —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the Selectmen be and hereby are directed and impowered to take effectual care that the Common is inclosed and kept inclosed; And also to bring such Actions as they may think necessary to prevent or remove any Incumbrances upon the Towns Lands, and for obtaining damages for the same — also

Voted, that the Selectmen be directed to publish the above Vote in all the News Papers with a suitable preamble —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz' — “ Whether the Town will determine upon some suitable Method to perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770 — by a Party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment ” — and after debate had thereon —

Voted, that The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams
D^r. Benjamin Church
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Richard Dana Esq.
D^r. Joseph Warren
Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be a Committee to take under Consideration this Article in the [291.] Warrant, and Report at the Adjournment —

That Article in the Warrant — Viz.' — “ That some steps may be taken to vindicate the Character of the Inhabitants grossly injured by some partial and false publications relative to the tryals of Cap^t. Preston &^c ” — was read — and after debate had thereon

Voted, that M^r. William Cooper —

John Ruddock Esq.
D^r. Thomas Young
M^r. William Greanleaff
M^r. John Sweetser —

be a Committee to take this Article into Consideration and Report as soon as may be —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz. — “ To consider what Measures are proper for procuring some suitable Person or Persons to undertake the sweeping of Chimnies, whereby the Town will be better secured from Fires ” — was read — whereupon —

Voted, that Thomas Daws Esq.

Jonathan Williams Esq.
M^r. Samuel Austin —

be a Committee to take this Article into Consideration, and Report at the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday the 19. of March Instant 9. O'Clock Before Noon —

Tuesday March 19. Met according to Adjournment.

M^r. Joseph Waldo informed the Town that he was intending a Voyage to England and therefore declined serving in the Office of an [292.] Overseer to which he had been chosen — M^r. Waldo was accordingly excused — and upon a Motion made Voted, That the Thanks of the Town be given to the said M^r. Waldo for his faithful Services as an Overseer of the Poor in Years past —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Cap^t. William Homes Esq. for his faithful services as a Fire Ward a number of Years past

The Committee chosen to take into Consideration the Petition of Jonathan Payson Esq. not being able to Report thereon were desired to do it next day Meeting —

The Town brought in their Votes for an Overseer of the Poor in the room of M^r. Joseph Waldo who has resigned and upon sorting them it appeared that —

M^r. Daniel Waldo
was chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the Year ensuing —
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The Committee appointed to Consider of some Suitable Method to perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770. by a Party of Soldiers of the 29th Regiment — Reported as their Opinion — “That for the present the Town make choice of a proper Person to deliver an Oration at such Time as may be Judged most convenient to commemorate the barbarous murder of five of our Fellow Citizens on that fatal Day, and to impress upon our minds the ruinous tendency of standing Armies in Free Cities, and the necessity of such noble exertions in all future times, as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, wher-by the designs of the Conspirators against the public Liberty may be still frustrated — And the Committee in order to compleat the Plan of some standing Monument of [293.] Military Tyrany begg'd to be indulg'd with further time” — which Report being accepted it was Voted unanimously that the Town will now come to the choice of an Orator agreeable to the Report of their Committee —

M^r. Samuel Hunt and James Lovel were then nominated in order for the Town to make choice of one of them to be the Orator on this Occasion —

The Inhabitants as directed then withdrew and brought in their Votes, and upon sorting them it appeared that

M^r. James Lovel
was unanimously chosen —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adains
D^r. Benjamin Church
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Richard Dana Esq.
D^r. Joseph Warren
Samuel Pemberton Esq.
Samuel Swift Esq.

were appointed a Committee to wait upon M^r. James Lovel, and acquaint him that the Town have unanimously made choice of him to deliver an Oration in Faneuil Hall on Thursday the 2^d. of April next 10. O'Clock Before Noon —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that —

The Hon^{ble}. James Pitts Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. Joshua Henshaw Esq.
Coll^o. Joseph Jackson Esq.
Majo^r. John Ruddock Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Samuel Pemberton Esq.
M^r. Henderson Inches
M^r. Jonathan Mason
Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

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M^r. Samuel Payne
Benjamin Kent Esq.
John Barrett Esq.

A Committee appointed by the Town the 13th of June 1769 to prosecute in the Law the Proprietors of the Grist Mills at the North part of Boston, be and hereby are directed to discontinue the Suit they had commenced by Order of the Town — Also Voted, that the above Committee be directed to renew the Boundaries of the Towns Grants to the Proprietors of the Grist Mills in Boston by Erecting some permanent Monuments, and to Report at May Meeting —

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of M^r. John Green Reported, as their Opinion — “That there be paid out of the Town Treasury into the hands of the Petitioner the Sum of Twelve Pounds fifteen Shillings for the purpose of discharging the Surgeons Bill mentioned in the Petition — The Committee also Reported — That in Consideration of the present distressed Circumstances of the Petitioner occasioned by the misfortune set forth in his Petition, the Expence he was necessarily put to by means thereof, and his inability to work at his trade or do anything for the support of his numerous Family for near Seven Months, the further Sum of Eighteen Pounds be paid to him out of the Town Treasury; and that the Overseers of the Poor give him an Order on the Treasurer for the aforesaid sum,” — which Report being read and considered, the Question was put, “Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative —

Committee to wait upon M^r. Lovel reported [295.] That they had waited upon him accordingly, and received for answer that he should comply with the Vote of the Town desiring him to pronounce an Oration on the 2^d. of April next —

The Committee appointed on the 12th. Instant to Consider the request of a number of Persons that some steps may be taken to vindicate the Character of the Town Inhabitants, grossly injured by some partial and false Publications relative to the Tryals of Cap^t. Preston &c. — Report —

“That having made such enquiries and examinations as the short time allowed them would permit, it plainly appears to your Committee that the Character of the Inhabitants has been grossly injured in a Pamphlet entitled a Narrative of the Tryals &c. said to be printed by permission of the Hon^{ble}. Court, and also in several anonymous publications: This Pamphlet can be considered as no other than a mutilated and partial Account of the tryal of the Soldiers, some of the Evidences produced in Court being left out, as also what was offered in behalf of the Crown by M^r. Pain, while some Affidavits are found there which were not taken in Court in the course of these tryals: As to the Anonymous Publications they are evidently intended to mislead the People of the Colonies and the Mother Country into the apprehension that the Inhabitants of this Town were the Aggressors on the bloody Evening of the 5th. of March; that a plan had been formed to attack the Soldiery, and drive them from Boston *previous* to the

horred Massacre; that the Troops were accordingly *first* attacked by the Inhabitants, and the Party of Soldiers near the Custom House put into such imminent hazard of their lives as to Justify their firing upon the People, and the Slaughter that ensued; that the bringing Mr. Manwarren a Tide Water upon tryal for a supposed firing from the Custom House was without the least colour of Evidence to Justify it and a malicious procedure, wholly calculated to bring disgrace upon the Commissioners of the Customs and their under Officers; and that consequently the Pamphlet entitled a Narrative of the horred [296.] Massacre &c. which was transmitted by order of the Town to a number of Lords and Gentlemen in Great Britain & Ireland was an imperfect erroneous account of the transactions on that dreadful Night, and quite undeserving the least share of Credit. —

Your Committee do not presume to give their Opinion whether these Matters may with propriety be taken up by the Town as no Town can be Justly chargeable with the Crimes real or supposed of a few of its Inhabitants — but if the Town should apprehend that the reputation and interest of the Inhabitants in general is in danger of eventually suffering on this occasion, and that it would not well become them to see even the Characters of a few Townsmen unjustly impeach'd and dishonored when they have it so much in their power to do them Justice:— Your Committee would then beg leave to recommend the appointment of another Committee who shall be directed to prepare and draw up a true and full account of those Tryals and what preceded them, with Just and proper remarks thereon and on the misrepresentations contained in the several publications; which may serve as an Appendix to the Pamphlet before published by the Town; in this Report the manner of procedure on one side and the other in the choice of Jurors and Talesmen, — the Sentiments & prejudices which some of them discovered before the tryal; the Characters of several of the Witnesses, the discoveries which were offered to be made either in Court or to the Council on the part of the Crown which were not attended to; the Witnesses that were abroad or dead whose Affidavits were printed in the Towns Pamphlet, and other Evidences which were offered to the Council but not taken; the Lines drawn and stipulations made by the Council on each side previous to entering upon Action which any ways effected the Issue; and the political manoevers made by the Managers in the course [297.] of those Tryals shall be precisely stated. Your Committee are further of Opinion that said Committee in order to produce a clear and full vindication of the Town should be directed to apply unto two or more Majestrates, that the necessary affidavits may be taken in perpetuam, also to the several Gentlemen of the Law who were concerned or present at those Tryals, and even to the Hon^{ble}. Judges themselves, that so nothing may be asserted but can be well supported by good Evidences and Authority; when we doubt not your Committee will be able to make it manifest to the World; that the Executions of the Military on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770. were not more

unprecedented and barbarous than they were unnecessary and wanton — All which is submitted —

WILLIAM COOPER, pr. Order —

The above Report having been read, and debate had thereon it was Voted, that the same be so far accepted as that —

M^r. William Cooper
 John Ruddock Esq.
 D^r. Thomas Young
 M^r. William Greenleaff
 M^r. John Sweetser
 D^r. Benjamin Church
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.

be a Committee to consider the facts therein mentioned, and ascertain them by such Evidence as can be had, and to make such Observations and Remarks thereon as they shall think pertinent, and lay the same before the Town as soon as may be —

Voted, that D^r. Charles Chancey be desired to open the Meeting on which the Oration is to be delivered by M^r. Lovel, with Prayer.

The Honourable John Hancock Esq. having generously [298.] Offered to put the Orators Desk in Mourning on the Day the Oration relative to the late Massacre is to be pronounced — The Town gratefully accepted of the offer —

The Committee appointed “to consider what measures are proper for procuring some suitable Person or Persons to undertake the sweeping of Chimnies &c” are desired to Report at May Meeting —

The Committee appointed to wait on M^r. Lovel, are desired to wait upon the Rev^d. D^r. Chauncey, and acquaint him, that it is the desire of the Town that he would pray with them at the Adjournment of this Meeting.

The Committee appointed to Consider of the Petition of a number of Inhabitants that the Watch may be replaced at or near the Fortification for Reasons expressed in the said Petition — Reported — That they had pursuant to their appointment considered the Petition relative to the Watch, and view'd the place where the new Southern Watch-house stands, and the Land at & adjoining to the Fortification on each side of the Street there; & that they are fully of Opinion that a good strong Watch be placed and kept at or near the said Fortification as soon as may be but that the aforesaid Watch-house will for the present suffice as well or better than one built any where else within the Old Gate-way of the said Fortification and the Town will thereby save a considerable Expence —

The above Report having been considered the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday the second of April 10. O'Clock A : M —

[299.] Tuesday the 2^d. Day of April 10. O'Clock Before Noon Met according to Adjournment —

A Venire for the choice of Six Persons to serve as Jury Men for April Court — was read — and the following Persons were drawn as Jurymen in Town Meeting — Viz'. —

Mess^{rs}. Ephraim Copeland
Jacob Homer
David Spear
Edward Cowell
Sutton Byles
Timothy White

Upon a Motion made and seconded. Voted, that —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
Richard Dana Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Ebenezer Storer —

M^r. Samuel Adams

D^r. Benjamin Church —

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next to perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770 — by a party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment; and to impress upon our minds, the ruinous tendency of standing Armies being placed in free and populous Cities; and the necessity of such noble Exertions in all future times as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the Conspirators against the Publick Liberty may be still frustrated —

The Hall not being capacious enough to receive the Inhabitants it was moved that the Meeting be Adjourned to the Old South Church; and [300.] the Meeting was accordingly Adjourned to said Church —

The Inhabitants being met agreeable to Adjournment at the Old South Church The Rev^d. D^r. Chauncey in conformity to the Vote of the Town, made a Prayer very suitable to the occasion.

An Oration to commemorate the horred Massacre of the 5 of March 1770 was delivered by M^r. James Lovel to a crowd Assembly; agreeable to a Vote of the Town —

Upon a Motion made it was Voted, unanimously that —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. Moderator

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

D^r. Benjamin Church

Richard Dana Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to return the Thanks of this Town to M^r. James Lovel for the Oration delivered by him at their request, in commemoration of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770 — by a Party of Soldiers of the 29 Regiment; and to desire a Copy thereof for the Press —

Voted unanimously that all Matters & Things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the General Town

Meeting in May next to be then considered of and acted upon —

Voted, Unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved —

[301.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in public Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the seventh Day of May Anno Domini 1771 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. M^r. Bowen —

The Precept and Warrant for calling the Meeting read

Sundry Laws enjoyn'd read at this Meeting were accordingly read —

Joseph Jackson Esq. one of the Selectmen proposed in their Name to the Inhabitants Assembled to proceed to the choice of one or more Persons to Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly to be held at — upon Wednesday the 29. Day of May currant and in order thereto to consider and ascertain the number of Gentlemen to be Elected. Accordingly it was Voted, to proceed to the choice of Four Representatives, and then it was declared by the Selectmen that no Vote will be received but such as are unfolded, and that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in the Number of the Same were found to be Four hundred and ten, and upon sorting them it appeared that the Four following Gentlemen were chose — Viz^t.

	Votes.
The Hon ^{ble} James Otis Esq. - - - - -	399
The Hon ^{ble} Thomas Cushing Esq. - - - - -	410
The Hon ^{ble} John Hancock Esq. - - - - -	410
M ^r Samuel Adams - - - - -	403

The choice of Representatives being over and declared by the Selectmen the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, and bring [302.] In their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant. Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, and brought in their Votes and upon sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble} James Otis Esq. was chosen —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M: —

Three O'Clock P: M: Met According to adjournment.

The Petition of M^r. Jacob Emmons " that an adequate Allowance may be made him for the Lands taken from them by his Majestys Justices of the Peace and Selectmen of the Town of Boston, in order to make a new Street or widen the same leading from Ann Street to Middle Street, or that he may be otherwise relieved by the Town, in such manner as to Justice & equity appertains: " — was read and large debate had thereon — then the Question was put — Whether the Petition shall be sustained — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that D^r. Thomas Young
M^r. William Cooper

Mr. Ezekiel Price
 Mr. Samuel Austin
 Mr. William Mollineux

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to Consider the Petition of Mr. Jacob Emmons and Report at the Adjournment what they think proper to be done thereon —

That Article in the Warrant Viz'. "Whether the Town will give Instructions to the Gentlemen that may be chose to [303.] Represent them in the next General Assembly" — was read and Considered; and the Question then put — Whether the Town will now Instruct their Representatives — Passed in the Negative —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted. that the Grant of Moneys for the Relief of the Poor and defraying other necessary Charges, be referred over to the Adjournment — also —

Voted, that the Consideration of the Sums to be allowed the Schoolmasters &c be referred over to the Adjournment —

To the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Boston in Town Meeting Assembled May 7, 1771 —

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town at their Annual Meeting the 8 : Day of May last, desiring the Selectmen to visit the several publick Schools in the Town, and to invite such Gentlemen to accompany them therein as they should think proper and to Report thereon —

We the Subscribers accordingly attended that service on Wednesday the 4 : Day of July last accompanied by the following Gentlemen — Viz^t.

His Honour the Lieuet. Governor —
 The Hon^{ble}. John Erving Esq.
 James Bowdoin Esq.
 Thomas Hubbard Esq.
 Thomas Hubbard Esq.
 Harrison Gray Esq.
 Royal Tyler Esq.
 James Pitts Esq.
 John Temple Esq.
 Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Andrew Oliver Esq.

[304.] The Representatives of the Town

The Overseers of the Poor

The Rev^d. Charles Chauncy - D : D :

Mather Byles - - - D : D :

Andrew Eliot - - - D : D :

Ebenezer Pemberton - D : D :

Samuel Cooper - - - D : D :

Samuel Mather

Peneuil Bowen

Simeon Howard

John Morehead

Andrew Crosswell

Samuel Stillman

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

Mr. Edward Payne

John Scollay Esq.
 M^r. Rufus Green
 Cap^t. John Bradford
 M^r. Timothy Fitch
 Onesiphorus Tileston Esq.
 Cap^t. Benjamin Eustis
 Nathaniel Baleston Esq.
 M^r Thomas Greenough
 M^r. Joshua Blanchard
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Cap^t. John Phillips
 Isaac Smith Esq.
 Thomas Gray Esq.
 John Rowe Esq.
 M^r. Henry Liddle

And found the South Grammar School had 137 Scholars; the North Grammar School 56 Scholars, the South Writing School 231 Scholars the North Writing School 250 Scholars; the Writing School in [305.] Queen Street 268 Scholars; all in very good order —

Voted that the above Report be accepted, and that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to Visit the publick Schools the Year ensuing, and invite such Gentlemen to accompany them as they may think proper —

The Committee appointed to take into Consideration that Article in the Warrant of the 11. of March relating to the sweeping of Chimnies, have attended that Service and Report as follows — Viz^t. —

Supposing that there is 1800 Dwelling Houses, and that 3 Funnels be estimated to an House the number of Funnels would then be 5400 — and if necessary to be swept four times p Year would be equal to 21600 Funnels, which at the present price would amount to more than £1200 — and it is supposed, that it costs many who are careful to have their Chimnies swept 15/ or 16/ p Year; notwithstanding which by their Neighbors neglecting to sweep their Chimnies their Houses are constantly in more danger from such then from their own. And as many Plans have been proposed for the Consideration of the Town, and the mischieves complain'd of have not been prevented, which must appear notorious to the Inhabitants; Your Committee are of Opinion that if some such Plan as the following be come into, it would be found very beneficial to the Community, that the Expence arising by the sweeping of the Chimnies be paid by a Tax as the other charges of the Town — that there be a Master and six Sweepers, said Master to be a Man of a fair Character, and that will carefully attend the Business; and he to be allowed £100 — and for each of the Six Sweepers £50 — lawful Money p Year to be paid Quarterly which Sums make £400 — by which a saving will be made (supposing all the above Chimnies were swept as they ought to be) of £800—p Annum at least. The said Master to be [306.] Appointed by and under the direction of the Selectmen; and shall keep a Book of all the Dwelling Houses, the number of Funnels made use

of in each House and Ward, and that he begin with one Ward, sweep through, and so on minuting the time of sweeping in order to exhibit the same to the Selectmen; who shall draw upon the Treasurer once a quarter for the Sum of One hundred Pounds upon his rendring to them an Account to their satisfaction, that the Funnels have been swept in each Ward; and that if any Chimnies catch on fire by his neglecting to sweep the same, or by the carelessness of the Servants in sweeping that he be subject to a fine of — And that said Master provide the Books, suitable clothing and Implements for the sweepers, and all other Charges attending the same. Upon the above Plan it will turn out 12 Funnels p Day for each Sweeper, allowing him 300 — working Days which will compleat the above 21.600 Funnels. After tryal being made should it appear that there are more Houses & Funnels then in the above Estimate, in that case the Gentlemen the Selectmen may make such an allowance to the Master as will be in proportion to the above Plan —

THOMAS DAWS
JONATHAN WILLIAMS
SAMUEL AUSTIN

The above Report having been read, it was motioned and carried that the same lay till the Adjournment of this Meeting; then to be considered of by the Town —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to act upon the List of Jurors.

Upon a motion made Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed to insert in the News Papers the Adjournment of this Meeting and that the consideration of Salaries and Grants as also of the [307.] Sum necessary to be raised for Relief of the Poor and defraying other necessary Charges within the Town the Year ensuing, will then come on —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday the 27. of May Instant 8. O'Clock P: M: —

Tuesday the 27. of May 8. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed to examine the Accompts of Mr. David Jeffries Town Treasurer have attended that service & find the same right cast and well vouched in which he charges himself with sundry Fines, Rents and other Incomes of the Town, as also with the Tax of £4000 ., — ., all which amount to the Sum of £10599 ., 5 ., 3 . including the balance of old Accompt —

And the said Treasurer discharges himself by sundry Abate-ments made the Collectors amounting to £967.7.3. by Drafts made by the Selectmen amounting to £3024 ., 18 ., 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ of which he has paid £2910 ., 10 ., 10 $\frac{1}{2}$. and by Drafts made by the Overseers of the Poor which contain the Charges of the Almshouse amounting to £2856 ., 17 ., 1. of which he has paid £2177 ., 0 ., 0 $\frac{3}{4}$ also by sundry Sums paid for Interest amounting to £486 ., 1 ., 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ the whole amounting to £7525 ., 2 ., 4 $\frac{1}{2}$.

The said Committee have inspected said Drafts in a very partic-

ular manner and have examined the Vouchers produced by the Overseers of the Poor for the amount of their Drafts and every other branch of publick Charge amounting in all as above to £7525 ,, 2 ,, 4 $\frac{1}{4}$ as by Account of Town Treasury in the Town Treasurers Books balance whereof being £3074 ,, 2 ,, 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ is carried to Credit of New Account —

Which Report and Account being read, Voted, that the same be and hereby is accepted —

[308.] The Committee appointed to Consider the Petition of M^r. Jacob Emmons “ that a Grant of Moneys may be made him to satisfy for the great loss he has sustained by having his Lands taken from him in order to enlarge a Street laid out through Paddys Alley, and to Report what they may think proper to be done thereon having attended that Service would now Report —

That it appears to your Committee that the Petitioner has not as yet pursued the steps of the Law in order to obtain a recompence for the loss of his Land &°. which they apprehend ought to be done so that those who are benefitted by his Lands may be legally assessed for the value thereof, — But if after such Assessment the Petitioner should apprehend he has sustained some extraordinary damage which the Jury could not find for him a Petition for such damage might then with more propriety come before the Town —

The above Report having been read and Considered—the Question was put—Whether the same shall be accepted—Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred and twenty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Lovel for his Salary as Master of the South Grammar School for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One Hundred and twenty pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt for his Salary as Master of the North Grammar School, for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be [309.] Allowed and paid unto M^r. John Proctor for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street, for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and pay'd unto M^r. Samuel Holbroke for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in the Common for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allow'd and paid unto M^r. John Tileston for his Salary as Master of the Writing School at the North End for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Sixty Pounds be allow'd and paid unto

M^r. James Lovel for his Salary as Usher of the South Grammar School for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that a further Sum of Forty Pounds be allow'd and paid unto M^r. James Lovel as an encouragement for him to remain and exert himself in the service of the Town the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Carter for his Salary as Usher of the Writing School in Queen Street the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

[310.] Voted, that a further Sum of Twenty five Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Carter as an encouragement for him to exert himself in the service of the Town the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed and paid to such Person as the Selectmen shall appoint an Assistant for the Master of the Writing School in the Common the ensuing Year the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Thirty four Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Tileston Master of the Writing School at the North End for providing an Assistant for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury unto M^r. David Jeffries for his Services as Treasurer of the Town the Year past, and for all his Expences in that Office —

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is directed and empowered to allow the several Schoolmasters Interest on the Sums due to them from the Date of their Warrants to the Time of payment —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that

M^r. William Whitwell

Thomas Daws Esq.

[311.]

Meletiah Bourn Esq.

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Ezekiel Price —

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to examine the Town Treasurers Accounts now before the Town, and to make a full enquiry into the state of the Town Treasury and the Debts & Credits of the Town, as also to Report the same at the Adjournment together with what Sum or Sums may be necessary to be raised the ensuing Year as a Town Tax —

Voted that M^r. William Whitwell

Thomas Daws Esq.

Melitiah Bourn Esq.

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Ezekiel Price

be a standing Committee to inspect the State of the Town Treasury and from time to time to Report upon that and other Money matter; and if they see fit to apply to the Selectmen for a Town Meeting to be called upon the same——

Voted that M^r. William Whitwell

Thomas Daws Esq.

Meletiah Bourn Esq.

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Ezekiel Price

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to call upon the late Manufactory Company for the Moneys due from them to the Town, and if they do not pay the same, that they then apply to the Town Treasurer to bring an Action against them for the same——

The Committee appointed to Consider of the Petition of M^r. Jonathan Payson late one of the Collectors of Taxes in this Town referred to them the 11. of March last, now Report— [312.]—— That they have several times met the Petitioner, and patiently heard him relative to the subject matter of his Petition and the prayer thereof, they have also considered of his List of Out-standing Taxes, and several times met the Gentlemen the Assessors and heard them, and upon examining said List exhibited by the Petitioner find that the Sum of £10 ,, 15 ,, 1. contained in said List as Outstanding Debts was abated him by the Assessors a considerable time since, and as to many of the other Taxes in said List, if M^r. Payson never received them, the Committee apprehend it must be principally owing to his own negligence several of the Persons taxed were to the personal knowledge of the Committee then in good circumstances, and well able to pay, and as to some others in said List the Committee cannot but think the taxes might have been collected, otherwise the Assessors would not have continued taxing the same Persons year after year for three and four years successively when at the same time they were wholly unable to pay the Tax of the first year, for the Assessors have declared to the Committee that by the great importunity of M^r. Payson they have abated him equal if not more than they ever did to any other Collector, beside the Committee find that the Assessors on the 3^d. of March 1766. made a general & full Settlement with M^r. Payson on Account of Abatements for all taxes committed to him to Collect preceeding the Year 1764— which Settlement the Assessors then entered in their Books, and in the words following viz^t. — Mem^orandum the above Abatements were allowed to M^r. Payson in “consideration of Taxes abated him and no further to be allowed “and is in full to December 31. 1764 exclusive the Tax for “1764” — This the Committee look upon to be a final Settlement, and that M^r. Payson can have no pretence to apply to the Town for any abatement of Taxes that preceeded that Year 1764. and most of the Taxes in his List for the following Years. its probable might have been collected, otherways the Assessors would [313.] Have abated them — Upon the whole the Committee are of Opinion that as M^r. Payson during the time he was Collector received of the Town £15000 — old Tenor or upwards for his Premiums

(in which is included his Premium for those very Sums that he Petitions may be abated him) if he has met with any loss it must be but small in proportion to the great benefit it has been to him, and the Committee apprehend that the sustaining Petitions of this kind will be opening such a Door, as will involve the Town in great difficulties hereafter — The Committee would therefore recommend it to the Town that said Petition be dismissed

Which Report being read — It was motioned, that the further Consideration of said Report be referred to the Adjournment and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to the last Monday in June next — 10 O'Clock A : M : —

Town met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed “to examine the Town Treasurers Accounts; to enquire into the state of the Treasury, the Debts & Credits of the Town, and to consider what sum or sums may be necessary to be raised the ensuing Year as a Town Tax” — beg leave to Report —

That they have been and now are attending that service; and are not able as yet to exhibit to the Town such a state of their Affairs as is necessary but hope soon to do it. That from the present view of their Affairs, it seems necessary that the Sum of Eight Thousand Pounds be raised for the present Year —

WILLIAM WHITWELL	} Committee
THOMAS DAWS	
ALEXANDER HILL	
EZEKIEL PRICE	

[314.] The above Report having been read and considered by the Town, it was Voted, that the same be accepted — And that the Sum of Eight thousand Pounds be raised by a Tax upon Polls & Estates within the Town for Relief of the Poor, and defreying other necessary Charges arising within the Town the ensuing Year — also

Voted that said Committee be desidered to set again and Report further —

The Committee appointed to apply to the Managers of the late Manufactory for the Moneys due from them to the Town &c. Reported that they had waited on said Gentlemen, and made demand of the payment of said Moneys, but they were acquainted by them, that they had not yet been able to look so into the Affairs of the Company as to give them a present answer — which Report was accepted, and the Committee desired to Report their future doings to the Town

The Report of the Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Jonathan Payson Esq. a late Collector of Taxes, the consideration of which Report having been referred to this Meeting was again read, and after large debate had thereon, the Question was put — Whether said Report shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

On a Motion made — Voted, that all Matters & Things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the next Meeting —

Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved —

[315.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified and warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall June 24. 1771. 4 O'Clock P: M: —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island, as required by an Act of this Province —

The Town brought in their Votes for one Overseer of the Poor in the room of the late Honourable Royal Tyler Esq. deceased, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

William Phillips Esq.

was unanimously chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the Year ensuing

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for a Collector of Taxes in the room of Mr. Sampson Salter, who declined serving and upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mr. Benjamin Gray —

was chosen a Collector of Taxes for the Year ensuing —

That Article in the Warrant (Viz'.) — “To know the mind of the Inhabitants respecting the raising and paving that part of Milk Street which leads from the Corner of Atkinson Street to the Waterside” — was read and considered, and the Question being put — Whether the Town will now act upon it — Passed in the Negative —

Mr. Jacob Emmons a late Petitioner informed the Town that having apply'd to several of his Majestys Justices of the Quorum.

[316.] Praying that they would take the proper steps in order to obtain for him a recompence for the damage done him by the taking away his Lands and pulling down his Chimnies in Paddys Alley; and they having declined acting thereon; he had in consequence thereof commenced several Actions in the Law, against some of the Persons concerned in the Trespass of pulling the said Chimnies &c. — And that he gave the Town this information that they might take such measures relative thereto as the Town in their wisdom shall Judge proper — After considerable debate the Question was put agreeable to a Motion made — Whether it be the mind of the Town that this matter does now come properly before them at this Meeting — Passed in the Negative —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Coll^o. Joseph Jackson Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[317.] At a meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Thursday the 5th. Day of March Anno Domini 1772 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - read —

Richard Dana Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province —

The Committee appointed by the Town the 2^d. of April last to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration the 5th. of March Instant to perpetuate the Memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770. by a Party of Soldiers under the Order and Eye of-Cap^t. Preston of the 29th. Regiment - - - Reported —

That they had met together several times for the purposes mentioned in the Town Vote; and that they had unanimously made choice of D^r. Joseph Warren, to deliver an *Oration* for the purposes mentioned in said Vote, who had accordingly accepted of trust —

The above Report having been read the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted, - - - - Passed in the Affermative unanimously —

Upon a Motion made the Town took into Consideration the Time when, and the Place where, it would be most convenient and suitable to have the Oration pronounced — whereupon

[318.] Voted, that the Oration be delivered at half an Hour past 10. O'Clock, at the Old South Meeting House the Hall not being thought capacious enough for the Inhabitants that would attend, provided the Committee of that Society, should have no objection to the House being made use of for this occasion —

It was moved and carried that the aforegoing Vote so far as it respects the time, set for pronouncing the Oration be Reconsidered; and that the Oration be delivered at D^r. Sewalls Meeting House at half an Hour past 12. O'Clock : A : M :

Voted, that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

Jonathan Williams Esq.

be a Committee to wait upon Joseph Warren Esq. and inform him that it is the desire of the Town that the Oration may be delivered by him at the Old South Meeting House at half past 12. O'Clock, this Forenoon —

Upon a Motion made. Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to the Old South Meeting House there to meet at Half past 12. O'Clock —

Town met according to Adjournment, at the Old South Meeting House at half past 12. O'Clock —

The Committee appointed to wait upon D^r. Warren to acquaint him with the Vote of the Town respecting time and place as to the Delivery of An Oration; Reported that the D^r. was ready to comply with the Orders of the Town —

[319.] An Oration to commemorate the horred Massacre of the 5. of March 1770. by a Party of Soldiers under the Eye and Orders of Cap^l. Preston of the 29. Regiment, and to impress upon the Minds of the Citizens, the Ruinous tendency of standing Armies being placed in Free and Populous Cities &c. was Delivered by Joseph Warren Esq. to a crowded Assembly; agreeable to the Vote of the Town —

Upon a Motion made it was Voted, unanimously that - - -

Richard Dana Esq. Moderator
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 Coll^o. Joseph Jackson Esq.
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 M^r. David Jeffries
 M^r. William Mollineux

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to return the Thanks of the Town to Joseph Warren Esq. for the Oration delivered by him at their request, in commemoration of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770. by a Party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment, and to desire a Copy thereof for the Press —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Richard Dana Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Ebenezer Storer
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 D^r. Benjamin Church
 Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman, to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next to [320.] Perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetuated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770 by a Party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment; and to impress upon our minds the ruinous tendency of Standing Armies being placed in Free & Populous Cities; and the necessity of such noble Exertions in all future Times as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the Designs of the Conspirators against the publick Liberty may be still frustrated —

Upon a Motion made and seconded — the Question was put — Whether it be not the sense of the Town, that the Selectmen should issue Warrants for our Annual March Meetings on the 5. of March — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Richard Dana Esq. Moderator of this Meeting, for his good Services —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Monday the 9th. Day of March Anno Domini. 1772 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. M^r. Hunt —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - read —

[321.] Sundry Laws enjoin'd to be read at this Meeting were accordingly read —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oaths respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province —

M^r. William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut, New Hampshire and Rhode Island; took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his Duty; which Oaths were Administred to him by M^r. Justice Noyes —

The Town proceeded to the choice of Seven Selectmen, and the Votes being brought in and sorted it appeared that —

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson - - - - (excused)

Maj^r. John Ruddock

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

Samuel Pemberton Esq- - - - - d^o.

M^r. Ebenezer Storer. - - - - - d^o.

M^r. Samuel Austin

Coll^o. Thomas Marshall

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

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The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Overseers of the Poor, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Barret Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

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M^r. Benjamin Dolbear

M^r. William Greanleaff

William White Esq.

John Leveret Esq.

John Gore Esq.

Cap^t. Samuel Partridge

M^r. Samuel Whitwell

M^r. Samuel Abbot

M^r. Daniel Waldo

were chose Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Wardens, and upon sorting them it appeared that

Cap^t. John Bradford

M^r. John Cobourn

M^r. Samuel Barret Merch^t.

Deacon William Boardman

Major Adino Paddock

M^r. Thomas Bayley

M^r. John Preston
 Nathaniel Wales Esq.
 M^r. Nathan Frazier,

were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing —

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Upon a Motion made Voted, that the choice of a County Treasurer be referred to 4 O'Clock P: M:

The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire-Wards, and upon sorting them it appeared that

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John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 M^r. John Mico Wendell
 Coll^o. Thomas Marshall
 M^r. Joseph Tyler
 Maj^r. Adino Paddock
 M^r. James Richardson
 Cap^t. Benjamin Waldo
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 Cap^t. Martin Gay
 Francis Shaw Esq.
 Maj^r. Thomas Daws
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 Cap^t. Job Prince

were chose Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer, and upon sorting them it appeared that M^r. David Jeffries was chosen, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the other Governments, took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his duty, which were administred to him by M^r. Justice

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to John Rowe Esq. for his faithful discharge of the Duty of a Fire-Ward a number of Years past

Mess^{rs}. John Atkinson - - - - - (excused)

Thomas Parker

William Gale

John Langdon

Henry Knox

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Samuel Breck

Richard Cary

Lewis Gray - - - - - (excused)

Samuel Eliot Jun^r.

Peter Hughes

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing —

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Upon a Motion made and seconded — the Question was put, "Whether Constables and Collectors of Taxes shall be chose separate — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds, be remitted out of the

Ten Pounds Fine to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing, and shall decline serving —

Voted, that the Sum of Twelve Pence on the Pound be and hereby is allowed to such Persons as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall Collect; provided they pay into the several Treasuries the whole Sum committed to them to Collect on or before the tenth Day of August. 1778. Eight Pence on the Pound on all such other Sums as they shall have so paid into the Treasuries on or before the 20th. Day of December 1778. and four Pence on the Pound upon the remainder of the Sums they shall be obliged to Collect, provided such remainder shall be fully paid in on or before the second Monday on March 1774 The Premium as above expressed appears to be Just and equitable, and an ample allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to discharge their Duty with diligence and fidelity; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with [325.] Sufficient Sureties to the satisfaction of the Selectmen for the faithful discharge of their duty in said office; and complying with this Vote. —

Mess^{rs}. William Nichols
 Andrew Symms
 Clement Collins
 Henry Allen
 Isaac Vergoose
 John Grenough
 Jacob Thayer
 Joseph Edmunds
 Richard Walker
 John Champney
 John Bulfinch
 Abraham Howard
 Joseph Butler
 Joseph Eyres
 Thomas Bayley
 Andrew Townsend
 Joseph Ballard
 John Holland
 John Rogers
 Edmund Ranger
 Thomas Uran
 Elisha Holmes
 Obediah Dow
 Benjamin Page
 Clement Collins Jun^r.

were chose Surveyors of Boards for the ensuing Year

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Mess^{rs}. John Joy
 [326.] Obediah Low
 Samuel Dyer
 John Dyer
 William Crafts

were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Bangs
 Joseph Clark
 Daniel Parks
 Benjamin Bass
 Thomas Noland

were chose Sealers of Leather for the ensuing Year —

Mess^{rs}. William Dows Jun^r.
 Thomas Edes

were chose Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing

Mess^{rs}. Peter Cotta
 Manesseh Masters
 Joseph Dyer
 John Harskins
 David Spear
 Jonathan Jenkins
 Job Wheelwright
 Joshua Pico
 Benjamin Salt
 Paul Baxter
 John Owen
 Thomas Knox
 Samuel White
 Edward Cowell
 Edward Potter
 Peter Ellis

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Timothy Pease
 Nathaniel Waterman
 Jacob Williams
 Samuel Bernard
 John Nowell
 Joseph Phillips
 Henry Lucas
 Caleb Hayden
 James Bernard

were chose Cullers of Staves for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. David Simins
 Thomas Curtis —

were chose Hogreeves for the ensuing Year

M^r. Thomas Curtis

was chosen Hayward for the ensuing Year

M^r. John Gray

was chosen Surveyer of Hemp for the ensuing Year

Upon a Motion made and seconded it was Voted, that the Scav-
 ingers be chosen out of their respective Wards

Mess ^{rs} .		Ward.
John R. Sigourney	- - - - -	N ^o . 1
After Stoddard	- - - - -	2
Edward Foster	- - - - -	3
Freeman Pulcifer	- - - - -	4
John Merrit	- - - - -	5
James Bayley	- - - - -	6
Joseph Ridgeway	- - - - -	7

[328.]	William Perkins	- - - - -	8
	Robert Williams	- - - - -	9
	Charles Debany	- - - - -	10
	John Martin	- - - - -	11
	Benjamin Wheeler	- - - - -	12

were chose Scavengers for the ensuing Year —

John Tudor Esq.

M^r. John Lucas

were chose Surveyors of Wheat for the ensuing Year —

Cap^t. Martin Gay

M^r. John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the ensuing Year

Upon a Motion made Voted, that John Ruddock Esq. Chairman of a Committee to examine into the Titles of the Town Dock, be called upon for the Papers, which he has in his hands relative thereto, and for the Report of the Committee, and that M^r. Nathaniel Homes be appointed for this service —

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson

Coll^o. John Leveret

M^r. John Sweetser

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the ensuing Year, & they are desired and impowered to give all needful directions to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the quantity of Grain to be sold & affixing the price thereof from time to time as occasion shall require; and the said Committee are desired and directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground at the new Mills near the Mill bridge, now occupied [329.] By M^r. George Leonard —

Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M:

3. O'Clock P: M: Town met according to Adjournment —

The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Constables, the Persons chose into that Office and sworn are —

Mess^{rs}. Augustus Hail

Elias Dupee

John Coverley

John Wells

John Salmon

Hezekiah Usher

Joseph Foye

Stephen Symms

George Thomas

John Bennet

Samuel Greanleaff

John Hammett —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Four Collectors of Taxes, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mess^{rs}. Edward Hollyday

Abraham Savage

Benjamin Henderson

Benjamin Gray

were chose Collectors of Taxes for the ensuing Year —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for [330.] Seven Assesors, and upon sorting them it appeared that

Mr. John Kneeland
 Mr. Benjamin Church
 Belcher Noyes Esq.
 Mr. Daniel Pecker
 Mr. Jonathan Brown
 Gyles Harris Esq.
 Cap^t. Samuel Downe

were chose Assessors for the ensuing Year

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in and sealed up by Mr. Constable to be returned to the Court of Sessions, to whose care they are delivered.

The Committee appointed to inspect the state of the Town Treasury and to Report upon that and other Money matters beg leave to Report —

That they have inspected into the state of the Town Treasury, and find that there is due, from Edward Hollyday for 1770 the sum of £148 ,, 1,, 7½. Out of which Sum is to be deducted his Premium for 1770 —

Abraham Savage for 1770, the Sum of - - £432 ,, 18½

Out of which Sum is to be deducted his Premium for 1770

We also find that all the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1770 have settled and paid the Province Treasurer & County Treasurer the several Sums by them to be Collected & paid into the Province Treasury for the Year 1770 the Sum of £387 ,, 10 ,, 2. We also find that there still remains to be paid into the Province Treasury on Account of Mr. Samuel Adams the Sum of Fifty Pounds and from the Information given us by Mr. Robert Peirpoint it appears that there is no probability of any part of the Sum of £1149 ,, 19 ,, 0¼ remaining unpaid [331.] of Mr. Adams Debt to the Town, will ever be received and paid into the Treasury —

We also Report that we have examined into the state of the several Lotteries, and find that there appears to be due from

Thomas Cushing Esq. the Sum of - - - £155 ,, 12 ,, 9½

John Ruddock Esq. - - - - - £82 ,, 12 ,, 11

And it appears that the Lottery next proposed to be drawn will amount to the Sum allowed to be raised by Lotteries, in pursuance of the Act of the General Court —

All which is Submitted in the Name of the Comm^{ee}

WILLIAM WHITWELL —

The above Report having been read and Considered — the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that the Consideration of the School masters Salaries, and all other Salaries and Grants be referred over to next May Meeting —

Upon a Motion Made and seconded Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is empowered & directed to borrow on Interest a Sum not exceeding Four Hundred Pounds Lawful Money, for the use of the Overseers of the Poor, to purchase Grain &c. for the Almshouse —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is directed and empowered to give his Ne-

gotiable Notes upon Interest to such of the Overseers of the Poor as are in advance for the relief of the Town, for such Sums as appear to be due to them respectively upon the Auditing of their Accounts to the present Month —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be and they [332.] hereby are appointed to Act upon the List of Jurors —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to visit the publick Schools, the ensuing Year, and Invite such Gentlemen to accompany them, as they may think proper

Upon a Motion Voted, that the choice of a Committee to Audit the Town Treasurer Accounts to be referred over to May Meeting —

The Selectmen Reported on the Account of M^r. Benjamin Fenno Keeper of the Granary for the Year past, which Account as entred in his Books (and on file in the Town Clerks Office) was read — whereupon it was Voted, that the same be accepted, and that M^r. Fenno be accountable to the Town for Twenty bushels of Indian, and twenty one bushels of Rye amounting to £8., 4., 8 and also for the Sum of £192., 12., 1 Cash now in his hands, exclusive of the Sum of £32., 13., 4 for his Salary and attendance as charged in his Account — which is hereby allowed him —

Voted, that the Assessors be and hereby are impowered & directed to set for Abatement of such Taxes as they shall Judge reasonable on every Wednesday in April inclusive, & no longer saving that they be allowed to set the two last Weeks in November for the Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons as had not an opportunity of applying in the above limited time, by reason of their being out of the Province; at which time they are also allowed and impowered to abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died Insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April, and the last Day of November —

The Petition of the Hon^{ble}. Andrew Oliver and Thomas Hubbard Esq. and Sylvester Gardiner Esq. Surviving Members [333.] of the late Linnen Manufactory Company, praying that an Obligation given to the Town Treasurer for Moneys lent the said Company, may be cancelled and discharged — was read and after debate had thereon, it was motioned and the Question accordingly put — “ Whether said Petition shall be referred to a Committee; — which passed in the Negative — It was then moved that said Petition be dismissed, and the Petition was accordingly dismissed —

The Petition of Jonathan Payson Esq. a late Collector of Taxes, that the Sum of One hundred and nine pounds, may be remitted him the same having been lost in the course of sixteen Years, by means of the Persons taxed going beyond Sea or into other Towns & Provinces, becoming Bankrupts or dying Insolvent, as by a List given in to the Town will appear.” was read; and after considerable debate had thereon; a Motion was made that said Petition be dismissed; and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affermative —

The Request of M^r. William Mollineux “ that the Town would receive and examine an Account presented by him of the large

Sums he has advanced, and the Expence & trouble he has been at in employing the Poor of the Town in spinning Wool &c. in consequence of a Vote passed by the Town in March 1769. whereby a considerable saving has been made; and that such further allowance may be made him, as the Town in their wisdom shall Judge reasonable and Just." was read and after debate had thereon, it was motioned, and the Question put, Whether said Account shall be now read; which passed in the Affermative —

The Account was then read & after some debate it was moved that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday next 9. O'Clock A : M: and 11 O'Clock Assigned for the further Consideration of said Account And that the Gentlemen of the Law be desired to attend the Meeting [334.] The Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affermative

M^r. Ebenezer Storer having desired to be excused from serving as a Selectman into which Office he had been re-chosen he was accordingly excused, and received the Thanks of the Town for his faithful Services —

Adjourned to Tuesday Morning 9. O'Clock A : M :

Tuesday Morning 9. O'Clock. Town met according to Adjournment —

The Petition of M^r. Gowen Brown praying, "that an Allowance may be made him for the Clock lately fixed upon the Old South Meeting House for Reasons set forth in his Petition" was read, and upon a Motion made Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be and hereby are appointed a Committee to consider said Petition, and Report thereon at the Adjournment

It was moved and carried that 4. O'Clock P : M: be assigned for taking into consideration the Article in the Warrant relative to filling up the Dock —

The Petition of M^r. Robert Hews, "That a peice of the Towns Land may be leased to him for the purpose of Erecting a Slaughter House, for Reasons mentioned in his Petition" was read, and after debate had thereon, Voted, that the same be referred to the Gentlemen Selectmen, who are appointed a Committee to Consider the same and Report their Opinion thereon as soon as may be —

[335.] The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — "To know whether the Town will take any method for removing the Nuisance in the Common, by the over flowing of the Alms house and Work-house Vaults." was read whereupon Voted, that

M^r. Henderson Inches

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. Moderator

Thomas Daws Esq.

Adino Paddock Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

be and hereby are appointed to take this matter into Consideration, & Report as soon as may be what they shall Judge to be the best and most effectual method for removing the Nuisance complained of —

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — "Whether the Town are inclined to make sale of the Street Dirt so called within the Bounds

of Boston to any suitable Persons who shall incline to contract for the same" was read and debated, whereupon Voted, that —

Coll^o. John Hill
Maj^r. Adino Paddock
Benjamin Kent Esq.
M^r. William Whitwell
M^r. Nathaniel Balch

be a Committee to consider this matter and Report as soon as may be their Opinion —

That Article in the Warrant (Viz'.) "To consider of the expediency of fixing Lamps in proper parts of the Town for the better accommodation of the Inhabitants" — was read whereupon Voted, that —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
John Rowe Esq.
M^r. Ebenezer Storer
M^r. Henderson Inches
William Phillips Esq.
M^r. Benjamin Austin
M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

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be a Committee to consider of the expediency of fixing Lamps in this Town, and to Report as soon as may be their Opinion, what number of Lamps may be necessary, and the most proper places to fix them; as also to make enquiry whether the Town can legally raise an Annual Fund to support the charge thereof —

The Article in the Warrant Viz'. — "To consider what Methods shall be taken for the preservation of Beacon Hill" was read whereupon Voted, that —

John Tudor Esq.
Thomas Gray Esq.
John Avery Esq.
Thomas Daws Esq.
Belcher Noyes Esq.

be a Committee to take this matter into Consideration, and to Report as soon as may be —

This being the time assigned for the further Consideration of M^r. Mollineuxs Request, that the Town would receive & examine an account presented by him, of his Expense in carrying on the spinning business &c. and also make him such further Allowance for his Expense and loss therein as might be thought Just and reasonable — It was motioned & carried that the Report of a Committee in 1769. relative to employing the Poor should be first read; which Report was accordingly read. After considerable debate on the subject matter of M^r. Mollineuxs Request; and the legality or illegality of now acting thereon; It was moved that the Opinion of M^r. Justice Dana now present might be taken respecting the [337.] Power of the Town to Remit M^r. Mollineux the £300 — lent him; and M^r. Dana being accordingly apply'd to declared — "That he doubted whether the Town could legally remit him said Sum" several other Gentlemen of the Law being present, and not disagreeing with M^r. Dana in Opinion — It was then moved the Question might be put. "Whether the Town will

act any further on M^r. Mollineuxs Accompt" and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Negative —

Upon a Motion made and seconded the Question was put, "Whether a certain printed Paper lately spread abroad & even dispers'd in this Meeting, reflecting on the character of M^r. William Mollineux, and tending to prejudice him with the Town while his Petition was depending, should not agreeable to the desire of said Gentleman be read — it passed in the Affermative This Paper being accordingly read, it was moved and the Question put — Whether it be not the sense of the Town, that said Paper be rejected with Disdain, as containing unjust reflections on M^r. Mollineuxs Character; and that so their abhorrence and detestation should be expressed at such Methods being taken to asperge the Character of an Individual — which passed in the Affermative —

It was then Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to M^r. William Mollineux, for his faithful discharge of a Contract entred into with the Town relative to employing their Poor in the Spinning Business &c. —

M^r. John Lucas lately chosen a Warden having desired the Town that he might on account of his present ill state of health be excused from serving in that Office; he was accordingly excused —

M^r. Seward chosen one of the Constables for the present [338.] Year having desired to be excused from serving in that Office he was accordingly excused by the Town —

Coll^o. Joseph Jackson one of the Selectmen re-chosen into that Office, having desired to be excused from serving in that Office, he was accordingly excused, and upon a Motion made Voted, unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be given the Collonel for his faithful services as a Selectman, a number of Years past —

Adjourned to 3. O'Clock, P: M:

3. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment

A Letter from Samuel Pemberton Esq. to the Town desiring to be excused from serving in the Office of a Selectman into which he had been lately chosen; was read & his resignation accepted —

M^r. John Atkinson chosen into the Office of a Clerk of the Market having desired to be excused from that service he was accordingly excused —

Mess^{rs}. Charles Sigorney
Jonathan Williams Jun^r.
Samuel Bradstreet
David Green —

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.

Upon a Motion made & seconded, the Question was put — "Whether upon Jonathan Payson Esq. a late Collector of Taxes paying into the Town Treasury the Sum of £109 .. 17 .. 8 in which is included the Sum of £22 .. 8 .. 1 allowed by the Court for Interest, the Execution obtained against said [339.] Payson shall be returned satisfied — Passed in the Affermative

It was moved and Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to Samuel Pemberton Esq. for his faithful Services as a Selectman for several Years past —

It was motioned that the choice of the Selectmen, in the room of those who have resigned, be referred over to the Adjournment; and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affirmative —

The Consideration of the Article in the Warrant respecting filling up the Dock being assigned over to this time, a Committee chosen the 20. September 1770. made Report to the Town; a Motion was then made that said Report be recommitted and that the Committee be desired to look further into the Grants made to those whom the Davis's hold under, and to consult Council learned in the Law, respecting the Titles of the Claimants to said Dock —

The Town brought in their Votes for two Wardens and upon sorting them it appeared that

Mess^{rs}. Josiah Waters

Henry Bass

were chose Wardens for the ensuing Year —

Voted, that Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

M^r. John Amory

Thomas Gray Esq.

Thomas Daws Esq.

Melatih Bourn Esq.

be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Audit the Accounts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, and also the Accompts of the Overseers of the Poor. & the said Committee are enjoin'd to inspect every particular [340.] Account of the Moneys expended for the use of the Almshouse they are also impowered when they shall Audit said Accounts to allow such of the Overseers as shall advance moneys for the relieve of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums from the time so advanced; till they shall have Audited said Accompts; And they are desired to Report from time to time a state of the Treasury respecting the Debt, and Credits, and on any matters that they may think proper —

see further —

It was motioned and Voted, that the Town Treasurer be directed to make enquiry into the cause why James Pitts Esq. and some others have stopt payment of their Quit Rents; and to Report at the Adjournment —

M^r. Dinely Wing

was chosen a Surveyor of Boards for the ensuing Year —

M^r. John Childs chosen one of the Hogreeves having desired to be excused from serving in that Office he was accordingly excused —

Voted, that when this Meeting is Adjourned, it shall be to Wednesday the 11th. Instant 4. O'Clock Afternoon —

M^r. Thomas Bradford

was chosen a Hogreeve for the ensuing Year

Adjourned to Wednesday the 11th. Instant 4. O'Clock P : M : —

[341.] Wednesday 4. O'Clock P:M: Met according to Adjournment —

The Town brought in their Votes for three Selectmen & upon sorting them it appeared that —

John Scollay Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches - - - - - (excused)

M^r. Jonathan Mason - - - - - d^o.

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing

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Mess^{rs}. James Bayley - - - - - ^{Wards.} 6

Charles Dabney - - - - - 10

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing

Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to inforce the Duty of Scavengers upon such Persons as have been chose into that Office ; and if upon enquiry and examination they should find any defects in the Laws relating to those Officers, that they Report the same to the Town, that they may act thereon as they shall think proper —

Mess^{rs}. Richard Flood

William Rogers

were chose Cullers of Staves for the ensuing Year —

M^r. Henry Blaisdell

was chosen a Surveyor of Boards for the ensuing Year —

M^r. Henderson Inches chosen a Selectman, having desired to be excused by the Town from serving in that Office, he was accordingly excused — And upon a Motion made & seconded

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to M^r. Henderson Inches, for his faithful services as a Selectman a number of years past —

[342.] M^r. Jonathan Mason chosen a Selectman, having desired to be excused by the Town from serving in that Office he was accordingly excused — And upon a Motion made

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to M^r. Jonathan Mason for his faithful Services as a Selectman several years past —

The Town brought in their Votes for two Selectmen and upon sorting them it appeared —

Deacon Timothy Newell

D^r. John Greanleaf - - - - - (excused)

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

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M^r. Nathan Hancock chosen a Warden for the ensuing Year, having desired to be excused from serving in that Office he was accordingly excused —

Adjourned to Tuesday the 24. Instant 10. O'Clock Before Noon —

Tuesday March 24. — 10. O'Clock Before Noon Town met according to Adjournment —

D^r. John Greanleaf who was chosen a Selectman having desired of the Town that he might be excused from serving in that Office, he was accordingly excused —

The Committee appointed to consider that Article in the War-rant relative to Street Dirt within the Town of Boston now Report —

"That having met & considered of that Article they are of Opinion that the Selectmen publickly Advertize, [343.] That they by publick Auction (at such time and place as they shall think proper) will sell the Street Dirt of the several 12 Wards in the Town, to twelve several Persons of good Credit, who shall be the highest Bidders, each one to have a Ward, who may dispose of that privilege among such of his Neighbors as he shall think fit: And that each of the twelve Purchasers give their Obligations to keep all the Streets or parts of Streets in their several Wards, in good condition of cleanness during the term of twelve Months from the time of their purchase, & at the expiration of the Year pay to the Town all such sums of Money as will then be due agreeable to the Conditions of their several Obligations aforesaid —

The above Report having been read, and debate had thereon — the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of M^r. Robert Hews. "That a peice of the Towns Land may be Leased to him for the purpose of Erecting a Slaughter House" Reported — "That upon discoursing M^r. Hews they find, that since his Petition was preferred he has purchased a peice of Ground of the quantity of 400 feet, situate & lying in Pleasant Street and adjoining M^r. Shurburnes Land; that he purposes to Erect his Slaughter House over the Water, & at about 600 feet distance from any Dwelling-house, and in case he so does they do not apprehend that it will be attended with any disadvantages to the Inhabitants. —

The above Report having been read & considered — the Question was put — "Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative.

The Selectmen appointed a Committee to consider the Petition of M^r. Gowen Brown relative to purchasing a new Clock — Report, That they have conferred with him respecting the same, and find that he would part with said Clock for One hundred Pounds Sterling, but although in their Opinion the same is finished in a manner which must do honor to the Artist, yet as upon examination the Clock placed upon the Old Brick Meeting House is in so good repair, as to be likely at a very trifling Annual Expence to answer the purpose of a publick Clock, for many Years, they cannot for this reason give it as their Opinion, that it will be necessary for any other Clock to be purchased by the Town —

The above Report having been read and considered the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

A motion was made that the Selectmen be desired to prepare a By Law relative to the Street Dirt, to be laid before the Town, and then presented to the Court of Sessions for their acceptance, and the Question being accordingly put it did not obtain —

It having been moved that there should be a reconsideration of the Vote, for accepting the Report of a Committee relative to the making sale of the Street Dirt — the Question was accordingly put — which passed in the Affermative

The consideration of the above Report having been again taken up, and considerable debate had thereon — the Question was put. Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Negative —

The Town brought in their Votes for one Selectman & upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mr. Oliver Wendell

was chosen a Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

[345.] The Town brought in their Votes for one Warden, and upon sorting them it appeared that —

Mr. Zachariah Brigdon

was chosen a Warden for the ensuing Year —

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted, that

Richard Gridley Esq.

John Hill Esq.

Mr. Robert Peirpoint

William Phillips Esq.

Stephen Greanleaff Esq.

Mr. Harmond Brimmer

be and hereby are appointed in addition to the Committee appointed to Judge on the best and most effectual Method for removing the Nuesance on the Common —

Ezekial Goldthwait Esq. Chairman of the Committee appointed to Audit the Town Treasurers Accounts having desired leave to resign, and Nominate a Gentlemen in his room, he was accordingly excused and upon his Nomination, it was Voted, that

John Rowe Esq.

be appointed one of the Auditors of the Town Treasurers Accounts in the room of Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq. who has resigned

Upon a Motion made & seconded, The Report of a Committee to inspect the Town Treasury &c. was again read and in the course of the debate one of said Committee informed the Town that Mr. Sampson Salter, a late Collector had made considerable payments to the Treasurer since said Report had been given in and accepted by the Town — It was then moved that the further consideration of said Report, be referred over to May Meeting — And the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affermative —

A Motion was made and the Question put — Whether Mr. [346.] Brigdon should be excused from serving as a Warden, and the Question being put, he was not excused —

Voted, that all Matters and Things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the General Town Meeting in May next, to be then considered of and acted upon —

Voted, unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally qualified & warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the 6th. Day of May Anno Domino 1772.

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. Dr. Chauncey —

The Precept and Warrant for calling the Meeting, read

Sundry Laws - - - - - read —

John Scollay Esq. one of the Selectmen proposed in their [347.] Names to the Inhabitants Assembled to proceed to the choice of one or more Persons to Represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly to be held at — upon Wednesday the 27th. Day of May Current, and in order thereto to consider, and ascertain the number of Gentlemen to be Elected. Accordingly it was Voted, to proceed to the choice of Four Representatives, and then it was declared by the Selectmen that no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded, and that they propose the Polls shall be closed at 12. O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in the number of the same were found to be Seven hundred & twenty three, and upon sorting them it appeared that the four following Gentlemen were chosen, Viz^t —

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. - - - - - 699

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. - - - - - 690

M. Samuel Adams. - - - - - 505

William Phillips Esq. - - - - - 668

The choice of Representatives being over & declared by the Selectmen; the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw & bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant. Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, & brought in their Votes, and upon sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P: M: —

3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

To the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Boston in Town Meeting Assembled May 6. 1772 —

[348.] Pursuant to a Vote of the Town of Boston at their Annual Meeting the 7th. Day of May last, desiring the Selectmen to Visit the several public Schools in the Town, and to invite such Gentlemen to accompany them therein as they shall think proper and to Report thereon —

We the Subscribers accordingly attended that service on Wednesday the 10th. Day of July last, and the following Gentlemen were invited to accompany us therein —

His Excellency the Governor

His Honor the Licu^t. Governor

The Hon^{ble}. John Erving Esq.

James Bowdoin Esq.

Thomas Hubbard Esq.

Harrison Gray Esq.

James Pitts Esq.

Thomas Flucker Esq.

Joshua Henshaw Esq.

The Representatives of the Town

The Overseers of the Poor —

The Rev^d. Charles Chauncey - - D: D:

Mather Byles - - - - - D: D:

Andrew Eliot - - - - - D: D:

Samuel Cooper - - - - - D: D:
 Ebenezer Peinberton - - - D: D:
 Samuel Mather
 Peneuil Bowen
 John Hunt
 John Bacon
 William Gorden —

The Town Treasurer

John Jones Esq.
 Isaac Smith Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. Foster Hutchinson Esq.

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M^r. Henry Laughton
 Samuel Fitch Esq.
 Cap^t. Dogget
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 James Boutineau Esq.
 John Newton Esq.
 M^r. Francis Green
 Henry Lloyd Esq.
 Cap^t. Samuel Barrett
 M^r. William Bell
 M^r. John Demming
 Edmund Quincy Esq.
 M^r. Daniel Hubbard
 Cap^t. Nathaniel Greenwood
 Coll^o. Joseph Scott
 M^r. William Matthews
 M^r. Moses Gill
 M^r. John Brown
 M^r. Peter Creque
 D^r. Nathaniel Perkins
 Thomas Gray Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 D^r. James Lloyd —

And found the South Grammar School had 138 Scholars — the North Grammar School 61 Scholars — the South Writing School 210 Scholars the North Writing School 264 Scholars — the Writing School in Queen Street 268 Scholars; all in very good order —

Voted, that the above Report be accepted, and that the Gentlemen the Selectmen, be desired to visit the public Schools the Year ensuing, and invite such Gentlemen to accompany them as they may think proper —

[350.] That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “To Consider what Measures shall be taken to repair or render more respectable the Entrance into this Town near the Fortification,” was read and after some debate Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be a Committee to order such Repairs to the Fortification at the Entrance of the Town, as they may Judge proper for the preservation of the same —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be a Committee to view the Towns Lands on the Neck and Report

what they shall Judge necessary to be done for the preservation thereof —

That Article in the Warrant Viz'. — “That the Town would consider what Instructions shall be given to the Gentlemen that may be chosen to Represent them in the next General Assembly” — was read — and after long debate had thereon — the Question was put — Whether the Town would now give Instructions to their Representatives — Passed in the Affermative —

It was then Voted, that —

Thomas Gray Esq.
Richard Gray Esq.
M^r. William Mollineux
D^r. Joseph Warren
D^r. Benjamin Church
Josiah Quincy Esq.
M^r. William Greanleaff
M^r. William Dennie
Joseph Greanleaff Esq.

be & hereby are appointed a Committee to draw up Instruction to the Four Gentlemen this Day chose to Represent the Town of Boston in the next General Assembly, and to Report the same at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

[351.] That Article in the Warrant Viz'. — “Whether the Town will take any steps to make that part of the Street leading from Milk Street to M^r. Hallowells House, passable for Carriages,” was read whereupon — Voted, that,

M^r. Nathaniel Appleton
Jonathan Williams Esq.
John Rowe Esq.
M^r. Alexander Hill
Thomas Gray Esq.

be & hereby are appointed a Committee to take this Matter into Consideration and Report at the Adjournment —

The Town Treasurer having been directed by the Town at the last March Meeting to make enquiry into the cause why James Pitts Esq. & some others have stopt payment of their Quit Rents and to Report at this Meeting accordingly made Report that he had waited upon M^r. Pitts for the purpose aforesaid, who acquainted him that the Town having deprived him of the Privilege of Dockage &c. was the occasion of his withholding the Quit Rents, which had been regularly paid before that time —

The Committee appointed at the last Meeting to consider what may be necessary to be done for the preservation of Beacon Hill — Reported in part, and were desired to Report further at the Adjournment of this Meeting —

Upon a Motion made & seconded Voted, that the Grants of Money for the Relief of the Poor, and defraying other necessary Charges, be referred over to the Adjournment —

Voted, that the Consideration of the Sums to be allowed the School Masters &c. be referred over to the Adjournment

Adjourned to the 20. Inst. 11 O'Clock.

[352.] Wednesday the 20. of May, Met according to Adjournment—

Upon a Motion made and seconded in consequence of a Memorial presented to the Selectmen by M^r. John Lovel, & by them laid before the Town, Representing that the Cellar under the School house which had been Leased to M^r. Gunter for a term of Years, now reverts to the Town, & praying that this small Emolument may be suffered to remain with him, for divers reasons more especially, for his interest & care in procuring Subscription for further Conveniences & Ornaments to the School House, than the Contractors were obliged to furnish: The Effects of which appear in the light of the Walls of the Room two feet above what the Masons were to build them by Contract in the Carvings round the top, the Frontispeice of the Doors, the Cornish round the Pediment & Eves; the Cupola for the Bell with the Fane upon the top, & the large & commodious Stone Steps at the Entrance of the School; the cost of all which amounted to a much larger sum than that of the Cellar—It was Voted That the said M^r. John Lovel have the use of the Cellar under the South Grammar School, for and during his continuance as Schoolmaster, for Reasons given in his said Memorial

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred & twenty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. John Lovel for his Salary as Master of the South Grammar School for the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt for his Salary as Master of the [353.] North Grammar School for the Year ensuing the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allow'd & paid unto M^r. John Procter for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street for the year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in the Common for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. John Tileston for his Salary as Master of the Writing School at the North End for the ensuing Year the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the Sum of Sixty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Lovel for his Salary as Usher of the South Grammar School for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the further Sum of Forty Pounds be allow'd & paid

unto Mr. John Lovel as an encouragement for him to remain & exert himself in the service of the Town the ensuing Year the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

[354.] Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. James Carter for his Salary as Usher of the Writing School in Queen Street the Year ensuing the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter—

Voted, that the further Sum of Twenty five Pounds, be allowed and paid unto Mr. James Carter as an encouragement to him to exert himself in the Service of the Town the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed & paid to such Persons as the Selectmen shall appoint an Assistant for the Master of the Writing School in the Common the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Thirty four Pounds be allowed and paid unto Mr. John Tileston Master of the Writing School at the North End for providing an Assistant the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury unto Mr. David Jeffries for his services as Treasurer of the Town the Year past, and for all his Expences in that Office

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby [355.] is directed and impowered to allow the several School Masters Interest on the Sums due to them from the date of their Warrants to the time of payment —

The Committee appointed the 6th. Instant to take into Consideration that Article in the Warrant. Viz. —“ Whether the Town will take any steps to make that part of the Street leading from Milk Street to Mr. Hallowells House passable for Carriages ” Report —

That we are of Opinion that it is highly necessary said new Street should be paved in order to make it passable for Carriages. We find that by an Act of the General Assembly when said new Street was laid out, that Benjamin Hallowell Esq. was ordered and did Agree to remove the paving Stones of the Old Street into the new at his Expense, but the replacing them was to be at the Expense of the Town. Mr. Halowell is now ready to comply with the aforesaid Order, as soon as the Town shall request it. The Street is about ten or eleven Rods long, and the paving Stones of the Old Street are Judged sufficient for half or a third of the new —

JOHN ROWE
JONATHAN WILLIAMS
NATHANIEL APPLETON

The foregoing Report having been read & considered It was Voted, that the same be accepted & that the Selectmen be & here-

by are directed to see that M^r. Hallowell has or does perform what has been enjoined him by the Act of the General Assembly, & that then the said Street be so far paved, as to the Selectmen shall appear necessary —

The Committee Appointed to prepare Instructions for the Gentlemen who Represent the Town in the General Assembly Reported the following Draft, which being read & considered [356.] Paragraph by Paragraph, was unanimously accepted by the Town and are as follows Viz^t. —

To the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. M^r. Samuel Adams The Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq. and M^r William Phillips —
Gentlemen

The choice we have made of you to Represent us in the Assembly of the Commons of this Province at the ensuing Sessions of the General Court, is the strongest Testimony of the high Opinion which we entertain of your Abilities and Integrity; Nevertheless we think it our Duty at such a time as this when the very Being of our Constitution is so dangerously attacked, to express to you whom we have deputed & impowered to act for us, the sense we have of the Oppressions which we suffer — No People were ever in circumstances more truly alarming than those in which the People of this Province now are An exterior Power claims a Right to govern us, & have for a number of Years been levying an illegal tax on us; whereby we are degraded from the rank of Free Subjects to the despicable Condition of Slaves. For its evident to the meanest Understanding that Great Britain can have no Right to take our Moneys from us without our consents unless we are her Slaves, unless our Bodys our Persons are her property she surely cannot have the least claim to dispose of our earnings, & tho. we have hitherto failed of success our applications for the redress of this cruil grievance we are still determined to exert our utmost efforts to break up this baneful source of Despotism & Misery. The attention of every one who has the least affection for his Country must be awakened to this important Subject when he sees [357.] The long train of evils which flow from it. We are especially under the most uneasy apprehensions from the repeated refusals of our Governor to accept of an honourable support from the People and we have the highest reason to believe that apart of the very Money unjustly taken from us is applyed to support him in a state of Independance upon the People over whom he presides — If this is the case our situation is truly deplorable. The same oppressions of which we so justly complain are made the support of the Man, who ought to exert his utmost power to obtain a redress of our Grievances. A Ruler Independent of the People over whom over whom he presides, is abhorrent to the Principles of a Free Government — Power without a Check is Tyranny, whoever is possessed of such a power is a Master instead of a Governor, and whoever submits to such a power is a Slave instead of a Subject. The intention & only reasonable end of Government is the happiness of Mankind; and every branch of a legal Government ought to be interested in the public wellfare, & should have every possible inducement to study & promote the *good & happiness* of the

governed: But we fear that the Interest of this People and of the Gentleman who presides over us, are made as distinct & even as opposite as they possibly can be; and if we allow ourselves to form a Judgement from what has taken place since his Excellency's Accession to the Chair, our fears must be augmented & confirmed as the Administration of affairs has been altogether such as much necessarily have resulted from an opposition of interest and the Governors intire independancy on us — We shall mention to you a few striking Instances of the Justice of this remark We think it impossible that our Governor should be at liberty to consult like the Father of this People, their true Interest whilst he considers himself bound to obey Instructions sent to him from the other side of the Atlantic: For although he may know that doing any particular Act, would be beneficial to the People, & condusive to his Majestys service, yet if he is instructed to the contrary it must not be done [358.] But if he is Instructed to do an Act which he knows will be detrimental to the People and injurious to his Majestys service, yet according to this new System he must do it — every consideration of the fitness & reasonableness of the transaction is thrown aside, & whatever may be the consequences to King or People, the Governor must exercise the power committed to him not agreeable to his discretion and the apparent interest of the Province but according to the Instructions received from a Minister three thousand miles distant — Instructions are urged in excuse for almost everything of which we complain. By an Instruction our Legislative Body are restrained from Meeting at their antient & established seat, contrary to their *inclination* so repeatedly declared to the Governor. By an Instruction our Fortress Castle William built and for a long time supported by the Province for its defence has been delivered to Troops over whom the Captain General of the Province has declared he has no controul; and who to appearance have taken more care to make it formadable to this Town, than to a Foreign Enemy — Under the Influence of an Instruction the Governor has refused his consent to a tax Bill for defreying the necessary Charges of Government because such Persons as the British Minister was pleased to point out, were not expressly exempted from bearing their due proportion of said Tax. And what seems to compleat our misfortune is, that an Instruction is pleaded for refusing a Grant for the payment of our Agents at the Court of Great Britain. Thus we are to be cut off, even from complaint that last resource of the wretched. His Excellency is Instructed not to sign any grant for the payment of an Agent, unless he is chosen by the three branches of the Legislature, he cannot consent to any one who is proscribed in his Instructions. It is against an Administration in which Lord Hillsborough & his Dependents are principal Actors that we complain [359.] But no one whom he disapproves must be allowed to manage our complaints. It is difficult to restrain our indignation at the gross affront offered to our Understandings in this affair. A Capacity but little remote from Idiotism, is sufficient to discover the fatal consequences of this Ministerial plot. —

The Town have in times past declared to their Representatives

their sense of the burthen laid upon the Commercial Interests of the Community by the extension of the powers of the Court of Admiralty. A Jurisdiction in its very nature repugnant to our Constitution & contrary to Magna Charta, as it invests one Judge appointed by the Crown with Authority to determine concerns the most important to the property and liberty of the Subject — And they expressed their sense of this Grievance as sharpened by the Contrast which appears in the same Statute between the Mother Country & the Colonies — For however it may be urged that the Court of Admiralty is established by the Charter of this Province yet by the same Charter the People of this Province are entitled to all the Liberties privileges & Immunities of free British Subjects — And to see the British Parliament by one and the same Statute, taking from the Colonies an important right namely TRIALS BY JURIES & securing that Right to themselves in cases of the same nature & importance must be deeply affecting to us. We take this opportunity of renewing our protestations against the powers of that Court which have already proved so vexatious to Persons concerned in trade; and in a very recent Instance according to the best information we are able to obtain, have been made use of to disturb & harrass the industrious Farmer, & which if not restrained bid fair to render all property either Real or Personal to the last degree precarious — Thus Gentlemen have we exhibited to you a view of many of the Grievances which distress this People: And we expect you will use your utmost Influence in the ensuing Session of the General Court to have them radically redressed; not doubting but you will receive the most ready and effectual assistance from those wise Patriots who are or shall be chosen [360.] To Represent our Brethren in the several Towns of this faithful Province — In particular we desire that you would use your influence that a Remonstrance be presented to his Majesty whose elevated station denominates him the Father of his People, and the tenor of whose Throne is the protection of his Subjects against the Oppressions which we suffer laying open to his view in the fullest and plainest manner the true state of this his Province of the Massachusetts Bay, & pleading with him with that freedom & firmness which the Justice of the cause & the exigencies of your Country demand. And that you may not fail of reaching the Royal Ear, we Instruct you to exert yourselves to procure a proper Grant from the House of Representatives for the payment of the Agents, who have served the Hon^{ble}. his Majestys Council & the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives for some years past, & that you take timely care to know whether the same is concurred with and consented to by the other two Branches of the Legislature. And that if it is not, that you endeavor to obtain a Resolve of the House for a Brief for raising a Sum sufficient for defraying the charges of an Agency for the Year ensuing, that so we may at least in this way make use of our own Moneys to purchase an access to the Ear of our King. —

There are Gentlemen many other Matters of great Importance to the Province which will come before you; & we are happy that we can with confidence commit our concerns to you Having that

by the favor of Divine Providence you will be greatly Instrumental in restoring and securing both to us & our Posterity our violated Rights, thus only may we with reason expect to enjoy the invaluable Blessings of Harmony & good Government —

Upon a Motion made & Seconded. Voted, that the Committee appointed to prepare Instructions, for the Gentlemen who are chosen to Represent us in the General Assembly the ensuing Year be & hereby are desired to bring in an Article of Instructions relative the Appointment & [361.] Salaries of the Judges of the Superior Court —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M :

8 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

Voted, that the Sum of Six thousand five hundred Pounds be raised by a Tax upon Polls and Estates within this Town for Relief of the Poor and defreying other necessary charges arising within the Town the ensuing Year —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that —

John Rowe Esq.

Jonathan Williams Esq.

be added to the Committee appointed to Audit the Town Treasurers Accompts for the last Year in the room of Nicholas Boylston Esq. deceased, and M^r. John Pitts who is out of the Provinces to Report at the Adjournment —

The Selectmen Appointed a Committee to view the Towns Lands the Neck &c. Reported —

That having Attended their Duty they found that the Land has been so much wasted away by the Sea, as makes it absolutely necessary that the Dykes should be repaired in such a manner as may prevent the Pavement on the Neck from being destroyed, and the Neck itself from being so far carried away, as that in no distant period, this Town may become an Island. That they were not able at present to lay before the Town an Estimate of the Charge which will be necessarily incurred in effecting those Repairs, and therefore proposed to the Town that a large Committee be appointed to view the Premisses & to consider of the best Method to secure the Neck, as also of the Sum which will be necessary for the purpose aforesaid, and to Report the same as soon as may be

The above mentioned Report having been considered Voted [362.] That the same be accepted, and that the Gentlemen the Selectmen together with —

William Phillips Esq.

John Rowe Esq.

M^r. William Dennie

M^r. Tuttle Hubbard

M^r. Robert Pierpoint

M^r. Samuel Swift

M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

John Tuder Esq.

M^r. Thomas H. Peck

M^r. William Greanleaff

Mr. John Sweetser
Jonathan Williams Esq.
Coll^d. John Hill
Mr. John Ballard

be a Committee to view the Neck, and consider of the best Method to secure the same as also of the Sum which will be necessary for this purpose ; and to Report as soon as may be

Upon a Motion made & seconded Voted, that

Benjamin Austin Esq.
Mr. William Cooper

be added to the Committee on Instructions and that said Committee be desired to Report at the Adjournment —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that there be so far a reconsideration of the Vote passed on the 5. of March last as that the Meeting to be called on the 5. of March ensuing be solely for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Committee appointed to procure an Orator to deliver an Oration on said Day, to perpetuate the Memory of the Boston Massacre — And that the Annual March Meeting, be appointed at the usual time, notwithstanding the Vote be referred to —

[363.] The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. having made a tender to the Town of a Fire-Engine, he had lately imported ; it was thought more respectful to that Gentleman, that the consideration of his offer should be referred to the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Fryday next 3. O'Clock P: M: and that the Town be Notified thereof in the several News Papers —

The Meeting was accordingly Adjourned

Fryday May 22^d. 3. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed to examine the Accompts of Mr. David Jeffries Town Treasurer — Report — That they have attended that service, & find the same right cast & well vouch'd in which he charges himself with Sundry Fines, Rents & other Incomes of the Town, as also with the Tax of £8000 — all which amount to the Sum of £12287 ,, 13 ,, 2, including the balance of Old Accompts —

And the said Treasurer discharges himself by sundry Abatements made the Collectors amounting to £361 ,, 1 ,, 6, by Drafts made by the Selectmen amounting to £3249 ,, 12 ,, 11½ of which he has paid £2896 ,, 14 ,, 10¾ — And by Drafts made by the Overseers of the Poor, which contain the Charges of the Almshouse amounting to £3506 ,, 2 ,, 8. of which he has paid £2547,, 16 ,, 2. also by sundry Sums paid for Interest amounting to £216,, 14 ,, 6. the whole amounting to £7333 ,, 11 ,, 7½

The said Committee have inspected said drafts in a very particular manner, & have examined the Vouchers, produced by the Overseers of the Poor for the amount of their Drafts & every other branch of publick Charge amounting in all as above [364.] To £7333 ,, 11 ,, 7½ as by Account of Town Treasury in Town Treasury Books ; Balance whereof being £4954 ,, 1 ,, 6½ is carried to the Credit of New Account —

Which Report and Account being read Voted, that the same be and hereby is accepted —

The Committee appointed to prepare an Instruction to our Representatives respecting the Appointment & Salaries of the Judges of the Superior Court, having met upon the occasion now Report—That your Committee cannot Agree upon any set of Instructions, respecting this matter —

The above Report having been read, Voted, that the same be accepted —

A Motion was made that a new Committee be now appointed to prepare an Instruction for our Representatives in General Assembly, relative to the Appointment and Salary of the Judges of the Superior Court; and after long debate had thereon the Motion did not obtain — It was then moved & seconded, that the further Consideration of this Matter be referred to the next Town Meeting — The Question being accordingly put—Passed in the Affirmative —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. having made a tender to the Town of a new & finely constructed Engine for the extinguishing of Fires, provided they will direct the Gentlemen the Selectmen to appoint a suitable Company for the same, and allow the Men belonging thereto, the Exemptions & Privileges indulged the other Engine Men, — It is therefore Voted, that the Town do accept of the said generous present of M^r. Hancock as a fresh mark of his Regard for the safety & welfare of the Town, and that the Selectmen be directed to appoint a suitable Number of Men [365.] For working said Engine at any Fires that may happen, with such a Master as M^r. Hancock may be pleased to Nominate, and that said Company when appointed be and hereby are Excused & exempted from all such Duty, and entitled to all such privileges and Allowances as are the present Enginemen of this Town — and that said Engine be placed under proper cover, at or near Hancocks Wharff and in case of Fires, the Estate of the Donor shall have the preference of its service —

Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. or the above mentioned generous Donation to this Town. —

Voted, that the Thanks of this Town be & hereby are given to the Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the 28. Day of October Anno Domini. 1772 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —
[366.] The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as required by an Act of this Province —

The several Petitions relative to a Report, that Stipends are affixed by order of the Crown, to the Offices of the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature of this Province & setting forth the dangerous consequences that must attend such an Establishment; were read & debated, whereupon it was Moved and seconded — That a decent and respectful Application from this Meeting be made to his Excellency the Governor, acquainting him that the Town has been alarm'd with the Reports that Stipends are affixed to the Office of the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature of this Province whereby they are rendered intirely independent of the Grants and Acts of the General Assembly for their support which the Town is apprehensive will be attended with the most fatal consequences, and therefore humbly and earnestly to pray his Excellency, that he would be pleased to inform them, whether his Excellency has received *any advice* relative to this matter in *any way* from whence he has reason to apprehend that such an Establishment has or will be made — And the Question being accordingly put, it passed in the Affermative by a vast majority — also

Voted, that Mr. Samuel Adams
D^r Joseph Warren
D^r Benjamin Church

be a Committee to draw up an Address to the Governor on the foregoing Subject and to Report at the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3. O'Clock P: M:

[367.] 3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment

The Committee to prepare an Address to the Governor, Reported the following Draft Viz' —

May it please your Excellency

The Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally Assembled in Faneuil Hall, beg leave to acquaint your Excellency, that a Report has prevailed, which they have reason to apprehend is well grounded, that Stipends are affixed to the Offices of the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature of this Province whereby they are become Independents of the Grants of the General Assembly for their support; contrary to antient and invariable usage this Report has spread an alarm among all considerate Persons, who have heard of it, in Town and Country; being view'd as tending rapidly to compleat the System of their Slavery, which originated in the House of Commons of Great Britain assuming a power and authority to give and grant the Moneys of the Colonists without their consent, and against their repeated Remonstrances. And as the Judges hold their places during pleasure, this Establishment appears big with fatal evils, so obvious that it is needless to trespass on your Excellencys time in mentioning them — It is therefore the humble and earnest request of the Town that your Excellency would be pleased to inform them, whether you have received any such advise relating to a matter so deeply interesting to the Inhabitants of this Province which gives you assurance that such an Establishment has been or is likely to be made — The foregoing Report having been considered, the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted,

which passed in the Affermative — *Nem Con'* also — Voted, that —

[368.]

William Phillips Esq.
The Hon^{ble} James Otis Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams —
Deacon Timothy Newell
D^r. Benjamin Church
D^r. Joseph Warren
Coll^o. Thomas Marshall

be a Committee to present this Address to his Excellency

Adjourned to Fryday the 30. Instant 10. O'Clock Before Noon —

Fryday October 30. 10 O'Clock A : M : Met according to Adjournment —

The Committee to present the Governor an Address Reported the following answer which his Excellency delivered to them in Writing — Viz' —

Gentlemen

It is by no means proper for me to lay before the Inhabitants of any Town whatsoever in consequence of their Votes and Proceedings in a Town Meeting any part of my Correspondence as Governor of this Province or to acquaint them whether I have or have not received any advice relating to the public Affairs of the Government. This reason alone if your Address to me had been in other respects unexceptionable, would have been sufficient to restrain me from complying with your desire —

I shall always be ready to gratify the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston upon every regular Application to me on business of public concernment to the Town as far as I shall have it in my power consistent with fidelity to the trust which his Majesty has reposed in me —

T: HUTCHINSON —

The foregoing answer, having been considered — [369.] It was moved and the Question put — Whether application shall be now made to his Excellency by the Town that he would be pleased to permit the General Assembly to meet at the time to which they stand prorogued, which passed in the Affermative *Nem Con'*. — It was then Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams
The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

be a Committee to prepare a Petition to his Excellency for the purpose aforesaid —

The Petition of a number of the Inhabitants — “That another public School may be Established at the South part of the Town,” was read, and after debate had thereon — the Question was put — Whether the Consideration of the same shall be referred to March Meeting — Passed in the Affermative —

The Committee appointed by the Town at a late Meeting to consider what was proper to be done to prevent the ruin of Beacon Hill, were desired to make Report as soon as may be

Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed to lay the Original Grant of Beacon Hill before the Town at their Adjournment —

Upon a Motion made — Voted, that the Selectmen be added to the Committee relative to Beacon Hill —

The Committee chosen to prepare a Petition to the Governor, relative to the Meeting of the General Court — Reported the following Draft — Viz'. —

The Petition of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally Assembled by Adjournment in Faneuil Hall on Fryday 30. of October 1772 —

[370.] Humbly Sheweth —

That your Petitioners are still greatly alarmed at the Report which has been prevalent of late Viz'. That Stipends are affixed to the Offices of the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature of this Province by Order of the Crown for their support —

Such an Establishment is contrary not only to the plain and obvious sense of the Charter of this Province but also some of the fundamental Principles of the Common Law, to the benefit of which all British Subjects, wherever dispersed throughout the British Empire are indubitably entitled —

Such a Jealousy have the Subjects in England for their Rights Liberties & Privileges, and so tender a regard has been shown them by his Majestys that notwithstanding the provision made at the Revolution that the Judges of the Kings Superior Court of Law there should hold their Commissions not at pleasure but during good behavior, and since that time for their support, His Majesty among other the first Acts of this Reign, was graciously pleased to recommend it to Parliament and an Act passed that their Commissions should not cease at the Demise of the King, whereby every thing possible in human wisdom seems to have been done to establish an impartiality in their decisions not only between Subject & Subject, but between the Crown and the Subject — of how much greater importance must it be to preserve from the least supposeable byas — the Judges of a Court, invested by the Laws of this Province which have been approved of by Majesty, with Powers “ as fully & amply to all intents and purposes whatsoever as the Court of Kings Bench, Common Pleas and Exchequer within his Majestys Kingdom of England have or ought to have ” —

Your Excellency will allow your Petitioners with [371.] Due Submission to repeat that the establishment appears to them pregnant with such fatal Evils as that the most distant thoughts of its taking effect fills their minds with dread and horror —

These Sir are the sentiments and apprehensions of this Metropolis expressed however with due deference to the Sentiments of the Province with which your Petitioners are anxiously solicitous of being made acquainted

It is therefore their earnest and humble request that your Excellency would be pleased to allow the General Assembly to meet at the time to which they now stand prorogued; in order that in that *Constitutional* Body, with whom it is to enquire into Grievances and Redress them, the Joint Wisdom of the Province may be employed, in deliberating and determining on a matter so important and alarming —

The Town having considered the foregoing Draft of a Petition to Governor Hutchinson — It was Voted, that the same be accepted, *Nem Con'*. also Voted, that —

William Phillips Esq.
The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams
M^r. Timothy Newell
D^r. Benjamin Church
D^r. Joseph Warren
Coll^o. Thomas Marshall

be a Committee to present the Petition to his Excellency —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday next 3. O'Clock P: M:

Monday November 2^d 3. O'Clock P: M: Met According to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to present a Petition [372.] To His Excellency the Governor of this Province, Reported and laid before the Town the following Reply which his Excellency had been pleased to deliver them in writing—*Viz'* —
Gentlemen

The Royal Charter reserves to the Governor full power and authority from time to time, as he shall Judge necessary to Adjourn prorogue and dissolve the General Assembly

In the exercise of this Power both as to time and place I have always been governed by a regard to his Majestys Service and to the interest of the Province —

It did not appear to me necessary for those purposes that the Assembly should meet at the time to which it now stands prorogued, and before I was informed of your Address, I had determined to prorogue it to a further time —

The Reasons which you have advanced have not altered my Opinion. If not withstanding in compliance with your Petition I should alter my determination and meet the Assembly, contrary to my own Judgement at such time as you Judge necessary, I should in effect yield to you the exercise of that part of the prerogative and should be unable to Justify my conduct to the King — There would moreover be danger of encouraging the Inhabitants of the other Towns in the Province to Assemble from time to time in order to consider of the necessity or expediency of a Session of the General Assembly or to debate & transact other matters which the Law that authorises Towns to Assemble, does not make the business of a Town Meeting —

T. HUTCHINSON —

The foregoing Reply having been read several times and duly considered; it was moved & the Question accordingly put Whether the same be satisfactory to the Town; which passed in the Negative *Nem: Con'*. And thereupon —

[373.] RESOLVED as the Opinion of the Inhabitants of this Town that they have ever had, and ought to have a right to Petition the King or his Representatives for the Redress of such Grievances as they feel or for preventing of such as they have

reason to apprehend, and to communicate their Sentiment to other Towns

It was then moved by M^r Samuel Adams, That a Committee of Correspondence be appointed to consist of twenty one Persons — to state the Rights of the Colonists and of this Province in particular, as Men, as Christians, and as Subjects; to communicate and publish the same to the several Towns in this Province and to the World as the sense of this Town, with the Infringements and Violations thereof that have been, or from time to time may be made — Also requesting of each Town a free communication of their Sentiments on this Subject — And the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affermative. *Nem. Con^t.* — Also

Voted, that, The Hon^{ble} James Otis Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 D^r. Benjamin Church
 M^r. William Dennie
 M^r. William Greanleaff
 Joseph Greanleaff Esq.
 D^r. Thomas Young
 M^r. William Powell
 M^r. Nathaniel Appleton
 M^r. Oliver Wendell
 M^r. John Sweetser
 Josiah Quincy Esq.
 Cap^t. John Bradford
 Richard Boynton Esq.
 Cap^t. William Mackay
 Maj^r. Nathaniel Barber
 Deacon Caleb Davis
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 M^r. William Mollineaux
 M^r. Robert Pierpont

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be and hereby are appointed a Committee for the purpose aforesaid, and that they be desired to Report to the Town as soon as may be —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in Public Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Fryday the 20. Day of November Anno Domini 1772. 10 O'Clock. A : M : —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oath respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Neighbouring Governments as required by an Act of this Province —

The Committee appointed to state the Rights of the [375.] Colonists and of this Province in particular, with the Infringements and violations thereof &c. &c. Reported, and the same having been twice read and considered distinctly — The 1st part of said Report — viz'. *The state of the Rights of the Colonists*, was put and accepted — *Nem. Con'*. The 2^d part of the Report, viz'. *The Enumeration of the Violations of our Rights*, was referred to the Committee for some Additions relative to the Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General & Soliciter Generals Salaries, and to the Fees of the Custom-house, and they were desired to report again —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 4. O'Clock P: M:

3 O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to Enumerate the *Violations of our Rights* — Reported again with the Amendments & Additions ordered by the Town in the Forenoon, and the same having been read and considered, was accepted by the TOWN NEM CON^r

The 3^d part of the Report of said Committee — viz'. — *A Letter of Correspondence to the other Towns*, was again read, and having been duly considered, was accepted to be sent to the other Towns. *Nem Con'* —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the foregoing Proceedings be printed and that the Committee of Correspondence be desired to dispose of Six hundred of the printed Pamphlets among the Selectmen of the several Towns, and such other Gentlemen as the Committee shall think fit —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is directed to Attest, the State of Rights, and the Enumeration [376.] Of the Violations thereof; as has been accepted by the Town

It was then moved and obtained, that the Town Clerk be directed to sign the aforementioned Letter of Correspondence and forward as many of the same to the Selectmen of each Town, as the Committee shall think proper and direct —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

The Votes and Proceedings of the Town at their late Meeting the 20. November 1772 were by Order of the Town, published in a Pamphlet, one of which was sent to each Town in the Province, and the same as accepted by said Meeting, is as follows Viz' —

The Committee appointed by the Town the second Instant "to State the Rights of the Colonists and of this Province in particular, as Men, as Christians, and as Subjects; to communicate and publish the same to the several Towns in this Province and to the World as the sense of this Town with the Infringements and Violations thereof that have been, or from Time to Time may be made. Also requesting of each Town a free Communication of their Sentiments Reported —

[377.] *First*, a State of the *Rights* of the Colonists and of
 - - - this Province in particular —

Secondly, A List of the *Infringements*, and Violations of those
 - - - Rights. —

Thirdly, A Letter of Correspondence with the - - - -
 other Towns. —

1st. Natural Rights of the Colonists as Men. —

Among the natural Rights of the Colonists are these *First*. a Right to *Life*; *Secondly* to *Liberty*; *thirdly* to *Property*; together with the Right to support and defend them in the best manner they can — Those are evident Branches of, rather than deductions from the Duty of Self Preservation, commonly called the first Law of Nature —

All Men have a Right to remain in a State of Nature as long as they please: And in case of intollerable Oppression, Civil or Religious, to leave the Society they belong to, and enter into another. —

When Men enter into Society, it is by voluntary consent; and they have a right to demand and insist upon the performance of such conditions, And previous limitations as form an equitable *original compact*. —

Every natural Right not expressly given up or from the nature of a Social Compact necessarily ceded remains. —

All positive and civil laws, should conform as far as possible, to the Law of natural reason and equity. —

As neither reason requires, nor religion permits the contrary, every Man living in or out of a state of civil society, has a right peaceably and quietly to worship God according to the dictates of his conscience. —

“Just and true liberty, equal and impartial liberty” in matters spiritual and temporal, is a thing that all Men are clearly entitled to, by the eternal and immutable laws [378.] Of God and nature, as well as by the law of Nations, & all well grounded municipal laws, which must have their foundation in the former. —

In regard to Religion, mutual tolleration in the different professions thereof, is what all good and candid minds in all ages have ever practiced; and both by precept and example inculcated on mankind: And it is now generally agreed among christians that this spirit of tolleration in the fullest extent consistent with the being of civil society “is the chief characteristical mark of the true church” & In so much that M^r. Lock has asserted, and proved beyond the possibility of contradiction on any solid ground, that such tolleration ought to be extended to all whose doctrines are not subversive of society. The only Sects which he thinks ought to be, and which by all wise laws are excluded from such tolleration, are those who teach Doctrines subversive of the Civil Government under which they live. The Roman Catholicks or Papiests are excluded by reason of such Doctrines as these “that Princes excommunicated may be deposed, and those they call *Hereticks* may be destroyed without mercy; besides their recognizing the Pope in so absolute a manner, in subversion of Government, by introducing as far as possible into the states, under

whose protection they enjoy life, liberty and property, that soleism in politicks, Imperium in imperio* leading directly to the worst anarchy and confusion, civil discord, war and blood shed —

The natural liberty of Men by entering into society is abridg'd or restrained so far only as is necessary for the

See Locks Letters on Toleration

[379.] Great end of Society the best good of the whole —

In the state of nature, every man is under God, Judge and sole Judge, of his own rights and the injuries done him: By entering into society, he agrees to an Arbitrator or indifferent Judge between him and his neighbours; but he no more renounces his original right, than by taking a cause out of the ordinary course of law, and leaving the decision to Referees or indifferent Arbitrations. In the last case he must pay the Referees for time and trouble; he should be also willing to pay his Just quota for the support of government, the law and constitution; the end of which is to furnish indifferent and impartial Judges in all cases that may happen, whether civil ecclesiastical, marine or military. —

“The natural liberty of man is to be free from any superior power on earth, and not to be under the will or legislative authority of man; but only to have the law of nature for his rule.” —

In the state of nature men may as the *Patriarchs* did, employ hired servants for the defence of their lives, liberty and property: and they should pay them reasonable wages. Government was instituted for the purposes of common defence; and those who hold the reins of government have an equitable natural right to an honourable support from the same principle “that the labourer is worthy of his hire” but then the same community which they serve, ought to be assessors of their pay: Governors have no right to seek what they please; by this, instead of being content with the station assigned them. that of honourable servants of the society, they would soon become [380.] Absolute masters, Despots, and Tyrants. Hence as a private man has a right to say, what wages he will give in his private affairs, so has a Community to determine what they will give and grant of their Substance, for the Administration of publick affairs. And in both cases more are ready generally to offer their Service at the proposed and stipulated price, than are able and willing to perform their duty. —

In short it is the greatest absurdity to suppose it in the power of one or any number of men at the entering into society, to renounce their essential natural rights, or the means of preserving those rights when the great end of civil government from the very nature of its institution is for the support, protection and defence of those very rights: the principal of which as is before observed, are life liberty and property. If men through fear, fraud or mistake, should *in terms* renounce & give up any essential natural right, the eternal law of reason and the great end of society, would absolutely vacate such renunciation; the right to freedom being *the gift* of God Almighty, it is not in the power of Man to alienate this gift, and voluntarily become a slave —

* A Government within a Government —

24. *The Rights of the Colonists as Christians* —

These may be best understood by reading — and carefully studying the institutes of the great Lawgiver and head of the Christian Church: which are to be found closely written and promulgated in the *New Testament* —

By the Act of the British Parliament commonly called the Toleration Act, every Subject in England [381.] Except Papists &c was restored to, and re-established in, his natural right to worship God according to the dictates of his own conscience. And by the Charter of this Province it is granted ordained and established that it is declared as an original right) that there shall be liberty of conscience allowed in the worship of God, to all christians except Papists, inhabiting or which shall inhabit the Province or Territory. **Magna Charta* itself is in substance but a constrained Declaration, or proclamation, and promulgation in the name of King, Lord, and Commons of the sense the latter had of their original inherent, defeazible natural Rights,† as also those of free Citizens equally perdurable with the other. That great author that great jurist, and even that Court writer M^r. Justice Blackstone holds that this recognition was justly obtained of King John sword in hand: and peradventure it must be one day sword in hand again rescued and preserved from total destruction and obivion. —

34. *The Rights of the Colonists as Subjects*

A Common Wealth or state is a body politick or civil society of men, united together to promote their mutual safety and prosperity, by means of their union †

The *absolute Rights* of Englishmen, and all freemen in or out of civil society, are principally, *personal security personal liberty and private property.*

All Persons born in the British American Colonies are by the laws of God and nature, and by the Common law of England, *exclusive of all charters from the Crown*, well

[382.] Entitled, and by Acts of the British Parliament are declared to be entitled to all the natural essential, inherent & inseparable Rights Liberties and Privileges of Subjects born in Great Britain, or within the Realm. Among those Rights are the following; which no men or body of men, consistently with their own rights as men and citizens or members of society, can for themselves give up, or take away from others

First, "The first fundamental positive law of all Commonwealths or States, is the establishing the legislative power; as the first fundamental *natural* law also, which is to govern even the legislative power itself, is the preservation of the Society."§

Secondly, The Legislative has no right to absolute arbitrary power over the lives and fortunes of the people: Nor can mortals

* See 1. Wm. and Mary. St. 2. C. 18 — and Massachusetts Charter.

† Lord Cokes Im. Blackstone, Commentaries — Vol. 1st. Page 122.

‡ See Lock and Vatel —

§ Locke on Government. *Salus Populi Suprema Lex esto* —

assume a prerogative, not only too high for men, but for Angels; and therefore reserved for the exercise of the *Deity* alone. —

“The Legislative cannot Justly assume to itself a power to rule by extempore arbitrary decrees; but it is bound to see that Justice is dispensed, and that the rights of the subjects be decided, by promulgated, standing and known laws, and authorized *independent Judges*,” that is independent as far as possible of Prince or People. “*There shall be one rule of Justice for rich and poor; for the favorite in Court, and the Countryman at the Plough.*”*

Thirdly, The supreme power cannot Justly take from any man, any part of his property without his consent, in person or by his Representative. —

These are some of the first principles of natural law & Justice, and the great Barriers of all free states, and of the British

[383.] Constitution in particular. It is utterly irreconcilable to these principles, and to many other fundamental maxims of the common law, common sense and reason, that a British house of commons, should have a right, at pleasure, to give and grant the property of the Colonists. That these Colonists are well entitled to all the essential rights, liberties and privileges of men and freemen, born in Britain, is manifest, not only from the Colony charter, in general, but acts of the British Parliament. The statute of the 13th of George 2. c. 7. naturalizes even foreigners after seven years residence. The words of the Massachusetts Charter are there, “And further our will and pleasure is, and we do hereby for us, our heirs and successors, grant establish and ordain, that all and every of the subjects of us, our heirs and successors, which shall go to and inhabit within our said province or territory and every of their children which shall happen to be born there, or on the seas in going thither, or returning from thence shall have and enjoy, all liberties and immunities of free and natural subjects within any of the dominions of us, our heirs and successors, to all intents constructions & purposes whatsoever as if they and every of them were born within this our Realm of England.” Now what liberty can there be, where property is taken away without consent? Can it be said with any colour of truth and Justice, that this Continent of three thousand miles in length, and of a breadth as yet unexplored, in which however, its supposed, there are five millions of people, has the least voice, vote or influence in the decisions of the British Parliament? Have they, all together, any more right or power to return a single number to that house of commons, who have not inadvertently, but deliberately assumed a power to dispose of their lives, † Liberties and properties, then to choose an

[384.] Emperor of China! Had the Colonists a right to return members to the british parliament, it would only be hurtful; as from their local situation and circumstances it is impossible they should be ever truly and properly represented there. The inhabitants of this country in all probability in a few years will be more numerous, than those of Great Britain and Ireland together;

* Locke —

† See the Act of the last Session, relating to the Kings Dock Yards —

It is absurdly expected by the promoters of the present measures, that these, with their posterity to all generations, should be as easy while their property, shall be disposed of by a house of commons at three thousand miles distant from them; and who cannot be supposed to have the least care or concern for their real interest: Who have not only no natural care for their interest, but must be *in effect* bribed against it; as every burden they lay on the Colonists is so much saved or gained to themselves. Hitherto many of the Colonists have been free from Quit Rents; but if the breath of a British house of commons can originate an act for taking away our money, our lands will go next or be subject to rack rents from haughty and relentless landlords who will ride at ease, while we are trodden in the dirt. The Colonists have been branded with the odious names of traitors and rebels, only for complaining of their grievances; How long such treatment will, or ought to be submitted.

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A List of Infringements & Violations of Rights

We cannot help thinking, that an enumeration of some of the most open infringements of our rights, will by every candid Person be judged sufficient to Justify whatever measures have been already taken, or may be thought proper to be taken, in order to obtain a redress of the Grievances under which we labour. Among many others we [385.] Humbly conceive, that the following will not fail to excite the attention of all who consider themselves interested in the happiness and freedom of mankind in general, and of this continent and province in particular. —

1st The British Parliament have assumed the power of legislation for the Colonists in all cases whatsoever, without obtaining the consent of the Inhabitants, which is ever essentially necessary to the right establishment of such a legislative —

2^d They have exerted that assumed power, in raising a Revenue in the Colonies without their consent; thereby depriving them of that right which every man has to keep his own earnings in his own hands until he shall in person, or by his Representative, think fit to part with the whole or any portion of it. This infringement is the more extraordinary, when we consider the laudable care which the British House of Commons have taken to reserve intirely and absolutely to themselves the powers of giving and granting moneys. They not only insist on originating every money bill in their own house, but will not even allow the House of Lords to make an amendment in these bills. So tenacious are they of this privilege, so jealous of any infringement of the sole & absolute right the people have to dispose of their own money. And what renders this infringement the more grievous is, that what of our earnings still remains in our own hands is in a great measure deprived of its value, so long as the British Parliament continue to claim and exercise this power of taxing us; for we cannot Justly demand that *our* property which *others* may, when they please take away from us against our will. —

In this respect we are treated with less decency and regard than the Romans shewed even to the Provinces which [386.] They had conquered. *They* only determined upon the sum which each should furnish, and left every Province to raise it in the manner most easy and convenient to themselves —

3^d A number of new Officers, unknown in the Charter of this Province, have been appointed to superintend this Revenue, whereas by our Charter the Great & General Court or Assembly of this Province has the sole right of appointing all civil officers, excepting only such officers, the election and constitution of whom is in said charter expressly excepted; among whom these Officers are not included. —

4th These Officers are by their Commission invested with powers altogether unconstitutional, and entirely destructive to that security which we have a right to enjoy; and to the last degree dangerous, not only to our property; but to our lives: For the Commissioners of his Majestys customs in America, or any three of them, are by their Commission impowered, “by writing under their hands and seals to constitute and appoint inferior Officers in all and singular the Port within the limits of their commissions” Each of these petty officers so made is intrusted with power more absolute and arbitrary than ought to be lodged in the hands of any man or body of men whatsoever; for in the commission aforementioned, his Majesty gives & grants unto his said Commissioners, or any three of them, and to all and every the Collectors Deputy Collectors, Ministers, Servants, and all other Officers serving and attending in all and every the Ports and other places within the limits of their Commission, full power and authority from time to time, at their and any of their wills and pleasures, as well [387.] By Night as by day to enter and go on board any Ship, Boat, or other Vessel, riding lying or being within, or coming into any Port, Harbour, Creek or Haven, within the limits of their commission; and also in the day time to go into any house, shop, cellar, or any other place. where any goods wares or merchandizes lie concealed, or are *suspected* to lie concealed, whereof the customs & other duties, have not been, or shall not be. duly paid and truly satisfied, answered or paid unto the Collectors, Deputy Collectors, Ministers, Servants, and other Officers respectively, or otherwise agreed for; and the said house, shop, warehouse, cellar, and other place to search and survey, and all and every the boxes, trunks, chests and packs then and there found to break open.” —

Thus our houses and even our bed chambers, are exposed to be ransacked, our boxes chests & trunks broke open ravaged and plundered by wretches, whom no prudent man would venture to employ even as menial servants; whenever they are pleased to say they *suspect* there are in the house wares & for which the duties have not been paid. Flagrant instances of the wanton exercise of this power, have frequently happened in this and other sea port Towns. By this we are cut off from that domestick security which renders the lives of the most unhappy in some measure agreeable. Those Officers may under colour of law and the cloak of a general warrant, break thro’ the sacred rights of the *Domicil*, ransack

mens houses, destroy their securities, carry off their property, and with little danger to themselves commit the most horred murders. —

And we complain of it as a further grievance, that notwithstanding by the Charter of this Province, the Governor and the Great and General Court or Assembly of this [388.] Province or Territory, for the time being shall have full power and authority, from time to time, to make, ordain and establish all manner of wholesome and reasonable laws, orders, statutes, and ordinances, directions and instructions, and that if the same shall not within the term of three years after presenting the same to his Majesty in privy council be disallowed, they shall be and continue in full force and effect, untill the same shall be repealed by the Great and General Assembly of this Province: Yet the Parliament of Great Britain have rendered or attempted to render, null and void a law of this Province made and passed in the Reign of his late Majesty George the first, intituled "An Act stating the Fees of the Custom-house Officers within this Province" and by meer dint of power, in violation of the Charter aforesaid, established other and exorbitant fees, for the same Officers; any law of the Province to the contrary notwithstanding. —

5th. Fleets and Armies have been introduced to support these unconstitutional Officers in collecting and managing this unconstitutional Revenue; and troops have been quarter'd in this Metropolis for that purpose. Introducing and quartering standing Armies in a free Country in times of peace without the consent of the people either by themselves or by their Representatives, is, and always has been deemed a violation of their rights as freemen; and of the Charter or Compact made between the King of Great Britain, and the People of this Province, whereby all the rights of British Subjects are confirmed to us. —

6th. The Revenue arising from this tax unconstitutionally laid, and committed to the management of persons arbitrarily appointed and supported by an armed force quartered in a free [389.] City, has been in part applied to the most destructive purposes. It is absolutely necessary in a mixt government like that of this Province, that a due proportion or balance of power should be established among the several branches of legislative. Our Ancestors received from King William & Queen Mary a Charter by which it was understood by both parties in the contract, that such a proportion or balance was fixed; and therefore every thing which renders any one branch of the Legislative more independent of the other two than it was originally designed, is an alteration of the constitution as settled by the Charter; and as it has been untill the establishment of this Revenue, the constant practise of the General Assembly to provide for the support of Government, so it is an essential part of our constitution, as it is a necessary means of preserving an *equilibrium*, without which we cannot continue a free state. —

In particular it has always been held, that the dependence of the Governor of this Province upon the General Assembly for his support, was necessary for the preservation of this *equilibrium*;

nevertheless his Majesty has been pleased to apply fifteen hundred pounds sterling annually out of the American revenue, for the support of the Governor of this Province independent of the Assembly, whereby the ancient connection between him and this people is weakened, the confidence in the Governor lessened and the equilibrium destroyed, and the constitution essentially altered. —

And we look upon it highly probable from the best intelligence we have been able to obtain, that not only our Governor and Lieutenant Governor, but the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature, as also the Kings Attorney and Solicitor General are to receive their support from this [390.] Grievous tribute. This will if accomplished compleat our slavery. For if taxes are raised from us by the Parliament of Great Britain without our consent, and the men on whose opinions and decisions our properties liberties and lives, in a great measure depend, receive their support from the Revenues arising from these taxes, we cannot, when we think on the depravity of mankind, avoid looking with horror on the danger to which we are exposed? The British Parliament have shewn their wisdom in making the Judges there as independent as possible both on the Prince and People, both for place and support: But our Judges hold their Commissions only during pleasure; the granting them salaries out of this Revenue is rendering them independent on the Crown for their support. The King upon his first accession to the Throne, for giving the last hand to the independency of the Judges in England, not only upon himself but his Successors by recommending and consenting to an act of Parliament, by which the Judges are continued in office, notwithstanding the demise of a King, which vacates all other Commissions, was applauded by the whole Nation. How alarming must it then be to the Inhabitants of this Province, to find so wide a difference made between the Subjects in Britain and America, as the rendering the Judges here altogether dependent on the Crown for their support. —

7th. We find ourselves greatly oppressed by Instructions sent to our Governor from the Court of Great Britain, whereby the first branch of our legislature is made merely a ministerial engine. And the Province has already felt such effects from these Instructions, as [391.] We think Justly intitle us to say that they threaten an entire destruction of our liberties, and must soon, if not checked, render every branch of our Government a useless burthen upon the people. We shall point out some of the alarming effects of these Instructions which have already taken place. —

In consequence of Instructions, the Governor has called and adjourned our General Assemblies to a place highly inconvenient to the Members and gratefully disadvantageous to the interest of the Province, even against his own declared intention —

In consequence of Instructions, the Assembly has been prorogued from time to time, when the important concerns of the Province required their Meeting —

In obedience to Instructions, the General Assembly was Anno

1768 dissolved by Governor Bernard, because they would not consent to *reascid* the resolution of a *former* house, and thereby sacrifice the rights of their constituents. —

By an Instruction, the honourable his Majesty Council are forbid to meet and transact matters of publick concern as a Council of advice to the Governor, unless called by the Governor; and if they should from a zealous regard to the interest of the Province so meet at any time, the Governor is ordered to negative them at the next Election of Councillors. And although by the Charter of this Province the Great & General Court have full power and authority to impose taxes upon the estates and persons of all and every the proprietors and inhabitants of this Province, yet the Governor has been forbidden to give his consent to act imposing a tax for the necessary support of government, unless such persons as were pointed out [392.] In the said instruction, were exempted from paying their Just proportion of said tax —

His Excellency has also pleaded Instructions for giving up the provincial fortress, Castle William into the hands of troops, over whom he had declared he had no controul (and that at a time when they were menacing the Slaughter of the Inhabitants of the Town, and our Streets were stained with the blood which they had barbariously shed) Thus our Governor, appointed and paid from Great Britain with money forced from us, is made an instrument of totally preventing or at least of rendering, every attempt of the other two branches of the Legislative in favor of a distressed and wronged people: And least the complaints naturally occasioned by such oppression should excite compassion in the Royal breast, and induce his Majesty seriously to set about relieving us from the cruel bondage and insults which we his loyal Subjects have so long suffered, the Governor is forbidden to consent to the payment of an Agent to represent our grievances at the Court of Great Britain, unless he the Governor consent to his election, and we very well knew what *the man must be* to whose appointment a Governor in such circumstances will consent —

While we are mentioning the infringement of the rights of this Colony in particular by means of Instructions, we cannot help calling to remembrance the late unexampled suspension of the legislative of a Sister Colony, *New York* by force of an Instruction, untill they should comply with an Arbitrary Act of the [393.] British Parliament for quartering troops, designed by military execution, to enforce the raising of a tribute. —

8th. The extending the power of the Courts of Vice Admiralty to so enormous a degree as deprives the people in the Colonies in a great measure of their inestimable right to tryals by *Juries*: which has ever been Jusily considered as the grand Bulwark and security of English property.

This alone is sufficient to rouse our jealousy: And we are again obliged to take notice of the remarkable contrast, which the British Parliament have been pleased to exhibit between the Subjects in Great Britain & the Colonies. In the same Statute, by which they give up to the decision of one dependent interested Judge of Admiralty the estates and properties of the Colonists, they ex-

pressly guard the estates & properties of the people of Great Britain; for all forfeitures & penalties inflicted by the Statute of George the Third, or any other Act of Parliament relative to the trade of the Colonies, may be sued for in any Court of Admiralty in the Colonies; but all penalties and forfeitures which shall be incurred in great Britain, may be sued for in any of his Majestys Courts of Record in Westminster or in the Court of Exchequer in Scotland, respectively. Thus our Birth Rights are taken from us; and that too with every mark of indignity, insult and contempt. We may be harrassed and dragged from one part of the Continent to the other (which some of our Brethren here and in the Country Towns already have been) and finally be deprived of our whole property, by the arbitrary determination of one biassed, capricious Judge of the Admiralty. —

9th. The restraining us from erecting Stilling Mills for manufacturing our Iron the natural produce of this Country, [394.] Is an infringement of that right with which God and nature have invested us, to make use of our skill and industry in procuring the necessaries and conveniences of life. And we look upon the restraint laid upon the manufacture and transportation of Hatts to be altogether unreasonable and grievous. Although by the Charter all Havens Rivers, Ports, Waters &c are expressly granted the Inhabitants of the Province and their Successors, to their only proper use and behoof forever, yet the British Parliament passed an Act, whereby they restrain us from carrying our Wool. the produce of our own farms, even over a ferry; whereby the Inhabitants have often been put to the expence of carrying a Bag of Wool near an hundred miles by land, when passing over a River or Water of one quarter of a mile, of which the Province are the absolute Proprietors, would have prevented all that trouble. —

10th. The Act passed in the last Session of the British Parliament, intituled, *An Act for the better preserving his Majestys Dock Yards, Magazines, Ships, Ammunition and Stores*, is, as we apprehend a violent infringement of our Rights. By this Act any one of us may be taken from his Family, and carried to any part of Great Britain, there to be tried whenever it shall be pretended that he has been concerned in burning or otherwise destroying any Boat or Vessel, or any Materials for building &c. any Naval or Victualling Store &c. belonging to his Majesty. For by this Act all Persons in the Realm, or in any of the places thereto belonging (under which denomination we know the Colonies are meant to be included) may be indicted and tryed either in any County or Shire within this Realm, in like manner and form as if the offence had been committed in said County, as his Majesty and his Successors may deem [395.] Most expedient. Thus we are not only deprived of our grand right to *tryal by our Peers in the Vicinity*, but any Person suspected, or pretended to be suspected, may be hurried to Great Britain, to take his tryal in any County the King or his Successors shall please to direct; where, innocent or guilty he is in great danger of being condemned; and whether condemned or acquitted he will probably be ruined by the expense attending the tryal, and his long absence from his Family and business; and we

ve the strongest reason to apprehend that we shall soon experience the fatal effects of this Act, as about the year 1769 the British Parliament passed Resolves for taking up a number of Persons from the Colonies and carrying them to Great Britain for trial, pretending that they were authorised so to do, by a Statute passed in the Reign of Henry the Eighth, in which they say the Colonies were included, although the Act was passed long before any Colonies were settled, or even in contemplation. —

1th. As our Ancestors came over to this Country that they might not only enjoy their civil but their religious rights, and particularly desired to be free from the Prelates, who in those times cruelly persecuted all who differed in sentiment from the established Church; we cannot see without concern the various attempts, which have been made and are now making, to establish an American Episcopate. Our Episcopal Brethren of the Colonies do enjoy, and rightfully ought ever to enjoy, the free exercise of their Religion, we cannot help fearing that they who are so warmly contending for such an establishment, have views altogether inconsistent with the universal and peaceful enjoyment of our Christian Liberties: And doing or attempting to do any thing which has the remotest tendency to endanger this enjoyment, is Justly looked upon a great grievance, and also an infringement of our [1796.] Rights, which is not barely to exercise, but peaceably & lawfully to enjoy, that liberty wherewith CHRIST has made us free. —

And we are further of Opinion, that no power on Earth can lawfully give either temporal or spiritual Jurisdiction within this Province, except the Great & General Court. We think therefore that every design for establishing the Jurisdiction of a Bishop in this Province, is a design both against our Civil and Religious Liberties: And we are well informed, that the more candid and judicious of our Brethren of the Church of England in this and the other Colonies, both Clergy and Laity, conceive of the establishing an American Episcopate both unnecessary and unreasonable. —

2th Another Grievance under which we labour is the frequent violation of the bounds of the Colonies by decisions before the King and Council, explanatory of former grants and Charters. We are not only subjects Men to live under a constitution to which they have not consented, which in itself is a great Grievance; but moreover under color, that the *right of Soil* is affected by such declarations, some Governors, or Ministers, or both in conjunction, have pretended to Grant in consequence of a *Mandamus* many thousands of Acres of Lands appropriated near a Century ago; and rendered valuable by the labours of the present Cultivators and their Ancestors. There are very notable instances of Settlers, who having first purchased the Soil of the Natives, have at considerable expence obtained confirmation of title from this Province; and on being transferred to the Jurisdiction of the Province of *New Hampshire* have been put to the trouble and cost of a new Grant and confirmation from thence; and after all this there has been a public declaration of Royal Will, that they should thenceforth be

considered as pertaining [397.] To the Province of *New York*. The troubles, expences and dangers which hundreds have been put to on such occasions, cannot here be recited; but so much may be said, that they have been most cruelly harrassed, and even threatened with a military force, to dragoon them into a compliance, with the most unreasonable demands.

A *Letter of Correspondence* to the other Towns.

Boston November 20 : 1772

Gentlemen We the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of *Boston* in Town Meeting duly Assembled, according to Law, apprehending there is abundant to be alarmed at the plan of *Despotism*, which the enemies of our invaluable rights have concerted, is rapidly hastening to a completion, can no longer conceal our impatience under a constant, unremitted, uniform aim to enslave us, or confide in an Administration which threatens us with certain and inevitable destruction. But, when in addition to the repeated inroads made upon the Rights and Liberties of the Colonists, and of those in this Province in particular, we reflect on the late extraordinary measure in affixing stipends or Salaries from the Crown to the Offices of the Judges of the Superior Court of Judicature, making them not only intirely independent of the people, whose lives and properties are so much in their power, but absolutely dependent on the Crown (which may hereafter, be worn by a *Tyrant*) both for their appointment and support, we cannot but be extremely alarmed at the mischievous tendency of this innovation; which in our opinion is directly contrary to the spirit of the British Constitution, pregnant with innumerable evils, and hath a direct tendency [398.] To deprive us of every thing valuable as Men, as Christians and as Subjects, entitled, by the Royal Charter, to all the Rights, liberties and privileges of native Britons. Such being the critical state of this Province, we think it our duty on this truly distressing occasion, to ask you, What can withstand the Attacks of mere power? What can preserve the liberties of the Subject, when the Barriers of the Constitution are taken away? The Town of Boston consulting on the matter above mentioned, thought proper to make application to the Governor by a Committee; requesting his Excellency to communicate such intelligence as he might have received relative to the report of the Judges having their support independent of the grants of this Province a Copy of which you have herewith in Paper N. 1. To which we received as answer the Paper N. 2. The Town on further deliberation, thought it advisable to refer the matter to the Great and General Assembly; and accordingly in a second address as N. 3 they requested his Excellency that the General Court might Convene at the time to which they then stood prorogued; to which the Town received the reply as in N. 4. in which we are acquainted with his intentions further to prorogue the General Assembly, which has since taken place. Thus Gentlemen it is evident his Excellency declines giving the least satisfaction as to the matter in request. The affair being of publick concernment, the Town of Boston thought it necessary to

consult with their Brethren throughout the Province; and for this purpose appointed a Committee, to communicate with our fellow Sufferers, respecting this recent instance of oppression, as well as the many other violations of our Rights under which we have groaned for several Years past—This Committee have briefly [399.] Recapitulated the sense we have of our invaluable Rights as Men, as Christians, and as Subjects; and wherein we conceive those Rights to have been violated, which we are desirous may be laid before your Town, that the subject may be weighed as its importance requires, and the collected wisdom of the whole People, as far as possible, be obtained, on a deliberation of such great and lasting moment as to involve in it the fate of all our Posterity—Great pains has been taken to persuade the British Administration to think that the good People of this Province in general are quiet and undisturbed at the late measures; and that any uneasiness that appears, arises from a few factious designing and disaffected men. This renders it the more necessary, that the sense of the People should be explicitly declared.—A free communication of your sentiments to this Town, of our common danger, is earnestly solicited and will be gratefully received. If you concur with us in opinion, that our Rights are properly stated, and that the several Acts of Parliament, and Measures of Administration, pointed out by us are subversive of these Rights, you will doubtless think it of the utmost importance that we stand firm as one man, to recover and support them; and to take such measures by directing our Representatives, or otherwise, as your wisdom and fortitude shall dictate, to rescue from impending ruin our happy and glorious constitution. But if it should be the general voice of this Province, that the Rights as we have stated them, do not belong to us; or that the several measures of Administration in the British Court, are no violations of these Rights, or that if they are thus violated or infringed, they are not worth contending for, or resolutely maintaining;—should this be the general voice of the [400.] Province, we must be resigned to our wretched fate; but shall forever lament the extinction of that generous ardor for Civil and Religious liberty, which in the face of every danger, and even death itself, induced our fathers to forsake the bosom of their Native Country, and begin a settlement on bare Creation—But we trust this cannot be the case: We are sure your wisdom, your regard to yourselves and the rising Generation, cannot suffer you to dose, or set supinely indifferent on the brink of destruction, while the Iron hand of oppression is dayly tearing the choicest Fruit from the fair Tree of Liberty, planted by our worthy Predecessors, at the expence of their treasure, & abundantly water'd with their blood.—It is an observation of an eminent Patriot, that a People long inured to hardships, loose by degrees the very notions of liberty; they look upon themselves as Creatures *at mercy*, and that all impositions laid on by superior hands, are legal and obligatory.—But thank Heaven this is not yet verified in *America!* We have yet some share of publick virtue remaining: we are not afraid of poverty, but disdain slavery.—The fate of Nations is so Precarious and resolutions in States so

often take place at an unexpected moment, when the hand of power by fraud or flattery, has secured every Avenue of retreat, and the minds of the Subject debased to its purpose, that it becomes every will wisher to his Country, while it has any remains of freedom, to keep an Eagle Eye upon every inovation and stretch of power, in those that have the rule over us. A recent instance of this we have in the late Revolutions in *Sweden*, by which the Prince once subject to the laws of the State, has been able of a sudden to declare himself an absolute Monarch The Sweeds were once a free, martial and valient people: [401.] Their minds are now so debaced, that they rejoice at being subject to the caprice and arbitrary power of a Tyrant & kiss their Chains. It makes us shudder to think, the late measures of Administration may be productive of the like Catastrophe; which Heaven forbid! — Let us consider Brethren, we are struggling for our best Birth Rights & Inheritance; which being infringed, renders all our blessings precarious in their enjoyments, and consequently trifling in their value. Let us disappoint the Men who are raising themselves on the ruin of this Country. Let us convince every Invader of our freedom, that we will be as free as the Constitution our Fathers recognized, will Justify. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Fryday the 5th. Day of March Anno Domini 1773 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, and took the Oaths respecting his paying & receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire, and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province —

[402.] The Committee appointed by the Town the 5th. of March last, to apply to a proper Gentleman, to deliver an Oration 5th. of March Instant to perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of March 1770 — by a Party of Soldiers under the Order and Eye of Cap^t. Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment - - - - - Reported

“ That they had met together Several times for the purposes mentioned in the Towns Vote and that they had unanimously chosen D^r. Benjamin Church to deliver an Oration for the purposes mentioned in said Vote, who had accordingly accepted of that service ” —

The above Report having been read, the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative, unanimously. —

Upon a Motion made the Town took into Consideration the Time when it would be best to have the Oration pronounced, as also what place would be most suitable for the purpose — whereupon —

Voted, that the Oration be delivered $\frac{3}{4}$ past 12 O'Clock at the Old South Meeting House the Hall not being thought capacious enough to receive the Inhabitants that would probably attend; and the Committee of that Society having upon application consented, that the House should be made use of on this occasion —

Voted, that D^r. Joseph Warren
The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
Jonathan Williams Esq.

be a Committee to wait upon D^r. Benjamin Church and acquaint him; that it is the desire of the Town that the [403.] Oration may be delivered at the Old South Meeting House at three quarters past 12. O'Clock, this Forenoon —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to the Old South Meeting House, three quarters past 12. O'Clock this Forenoon —

The Town met according to Adjournment at the Old South Meeting House at $\frac{3}{4}$ past 12. O'Clock A : M : —

The Committee appointed to wait upon D^r. Church to acquaint him with the Vote of the Town respecting the time and place for the delivery of an Oration — Reported, that said Gentleman, was ready to comply with the Orders of the Town, made known to him by their Committee —

An ORATION to commemorate the horred Massacre of the 5th. of March 1770 and to impress upon the Minds of the Citizens the ruinous tendency of standing Armies being placed in Free and Populous Cities &c. was delivered by D^r. Benjamin Church to a large and crowded Audience, and received by them with great applause —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to D^r. Benjamin Church for the Elegant and spirited Oration delivered by him at their request in commemoration of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770. by a Party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment under the Command of Cap^t. Thomas Preston — also

Voted, that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
[404.] M^r. Samuel Adams
John Scollay Esq.
D^r. Joseph Warren
M^r. William Dennie
Coll^o. Thomas Marshall

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to wait upon D^r. Benjamin Church, and in the name of the Town to request of him a Copy of the said Oration for the Press

Upon a Motion made and seconded — Voted, that
The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adams
M^r. William Mollineux
Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing
D^r. Benjamin Church
D^r. Joseph Warren

The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
 M^r. James Lovel
 Samuel Pemberton Esq.

be and hereby are Appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next to perpetuate the memory of the horred Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5. of March 1770 by a Party of Soldiers of the 29. Regiment under the Command of Cap^t. Thomas Preston; and to impress upon our minds the ruinous tendency of standing Armies being placed in Free and Populous Cities; and the necessity of such noble exertions in all future times, as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the designs of the Conspirators against the publick liberty, may be still frustrated —

Thanks Voted unanimously to the Moderator
 Then the Meeting was dissolved

[405.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Monday the 8th. Day of March Anno Domini 1778 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Pemberton —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

Sundry laws enjoined to be read at this Meeting were accordingly, read —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting and took the Oaths respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island as required by an Act of this Province. —

M^r. William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and receiving Bills of Credit of the Governments of Connecticut New Hampshire and Rhode Island; took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his Duty, which Oaths were administered to him by M^r. Justice Hill —

The Town proceeded to the choice of Seven Selectmen and the Votes being brought in and sorted, it appeared that

The Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 M^r. Timothy Newell
 Coll^o. Thomas Marshall
 M^r. Samuel Austin
 M^r. Oliver Wendell

[406.] M^r. John Pitts
 were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Overseers of the Poor, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Barrett Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 M^r. William Whitwell
 M^r. William Greanleaff

William White Esq.
 John Leveret Esq.
 John Gore Esq.
 Cap^t. Samuel Partridge
 M^r. Samuel Whitwell
 M^r. Samuel Abbot
 M^r. Daniel Waldo

chose Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing —
 the Town brought in their Votes for twelve Wardens and upon
 sorting them it appeared that

M^r. Edward Payne - - - (excused)
 Ezekiel Cheever Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Hews
 M^r. John Copely - - - - - (d^o)
 Arnold Wells Esq. - - - - - (d^o)
 M^r. James Twing
 M^r. Nathaniel Cary
 Cap^t. Caleb Hopkins
 Cap^t. Edward Procter
 M^r. Gibbins Sharp
 M^r. Peter Boyer —
 Cap^t. Benjamin Cobb —

chose Wardens for the Year ensuing —

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107.] The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire-
 Wards and upon sorting them it appeared that —

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 M^r. John Mico Wendell
 Thomas Marshall Esq.
 M^r. Joseph Tyler
 Adino Paddock Esq.
 M^r. James Richardson - - - - (excused)
 Cap^t. Benjamin Waldo
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams —
 Cap^t. Martin Gay
 Francis Shaw Esq.
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 Cap^t. Job Prince
 Cap^t. Edward Procter —

chose Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing - - - -

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upon a Motion made Voted, that the choice of a County Treas-
 urer be referred to 4 O'Clock P: M: —
 Adjourned to 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon —

O'Clock, P: M: Town met according to Adjournment
 the Town brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer and
 upon sorting them it appeared, that M^r. David Jeffries was
 chosen, and having taken the Oath respecting his paying and

receiving Bills of Credit of the other Governments took the Oath of Office for the faithful discharge of his duty —

[408.] Upon a Motion made and seconded, the Question was put — “Whether Constables and Collectors of Taxes shall be chose separate” - - - Passed in the Affermative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pounds fine to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing and shall decline Serving —

A Motion was made that there should be only one Constable now chosen, and that the choice of the others should be referred to the Adjournment; and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Negative —

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Love
Cyrus Baldwin
Richard Salter
John Tayler
John Winthrop
James Cazneau
James Sethrigg
William Pitts
Robert Ruggles
Joseph Coolidge
John Kneeland

John Barret Jun^r. - - - - - (excused)
were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing

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Mr. John Gray

was chosen a Surveyor of Hemp for the Year ensuing in the room of Mr. Henderson Inches, who was first chosen but excused by the Town —

Mess^{rs}. William Nichols
Andrew Symms
William Nichols
Clement Collins
Henry Allen
Isaac Vergoose
John Grenough
Jacob Thayer
Joseph Edmunds
Richard Walker
John Champney
John Bulfinch
Abraham Howard
Joseph Buller
Joseph Ayres
Thomas Bayley
Andrew Townsend
Joseph Ballard
John Holland
John Rogers
Edmund Ranger
Thomas Uran

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Elisha Holmes
 Obediah Low
 Benjamin Page
 Clement Collins Jun^r.
 Dinely Wing
 Henry Blaisdell
 Abraham Rogers

were chose Surveyers of Boards for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. John Joy
 Obediah Low
 Samuel Dyer
 William Crafts

were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing —

[410.] Mess^{rs} Samuel Bangs
 Joseph Clark
 Daniel Parks
 Benjamin Bass
 Thomas Noland

were chose Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs} William Daws Jun^r
 Thomas Edes

were chose Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs} Peter Cotta
 Manasah Masters
 Joseph Dyer
 John Harskins
 David Spear
 Jonathan Jenkins
 Job Wheelwright
 Joshua Pico
 Benjamin Salt
 Paul Baxter
 John Owen
 Thomas Knox
 Samuel White
 Edward Cowell
 Peter Ellis
 Timothy Pease
 Nathaniel Waterman
 Jacob Williams
 Samuel Bernard
 John Nowell
 Henry Lucas
 Caleb Hayden
 James Bernard
 Richard Flood
 William Rogers
 Samuel Peck

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were chose Collectors of Staves for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}: David Simins
 William M^rFadden
 were chose Hogreeves for the Year ensuing —
 M^r Thomas Smith
 was chosen a Hayward for the Year ensuing —

	Wards.
Mess ^{rs} : Josiah Vose - - - -	1
Joseph Snelling - - - -	2
Caleb Champney - - - -	3
Francis Pulcifer - - - -	4
James Thompson - - - -	5
Samuel Bradstreet - - - -	6 (excused)
Charles Perren - - - -	7
John Langdon - - - -	8
Samuel Warden - - - -	9
John Fullerton - - - -	10
Thomas Chase - - - -	11
Benjamin Wheeler - - - -	12

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing —

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The Town brought in their Votes for twelve Constables, the Persons chose into that Office are

Mess^{rs}: Augustus Hail
 Hezekiah Usher
 George Thomas
 Samuel Greanleaff
 John Hammatt
 Elias Dupee
 John Wells
 John Coverley
 Stephen Symms
 John Bennet
 Joseph Foye

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John Tudor Esq
 M^r John Lucas
 were chose Surveyors of Wheat for the Year ensuing.
 Cap^t Martin Gay
 M^r John Skinner
 were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing.
 Coll^o Joseph Jackson
 Ccll^o John Leveret
 M^r John Sweetser

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, & they are desired and empowered to give all needful direction to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the quantity of Grain to be sold, and affixing the price thereof from time to time as occasion shall require; And the said Committee are desired and directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground at the New Mills near the Mill Bridge, now occupied by M^r George Leonard —

The Selectmen
chosen Surveyors of the High Ways for the Year ensuing —

Votes, for a County Treasurer, brought in & being sealed up in Town Meeting, were delivered to M^r Constable Bennet, for him to deliver to the Court of Sessions —

[413.] The Selectmen Reported on the Accompt of M^r Benjamin Fenno Keeper of the Granary for the Year past, which Accompt as enter'd in his Books (and on file in the Town Clerks Office) was read — whereupon it was Voted, that the same be accepted and that M^r Fenno be accountable to the Town for 70. Bushels of Corn, and 16 ditto of Rye amounting to £18 ,, 5 ,, 4. and also for the sum of £185 ,, 19 ,, 3 Cash now in his hands exclusive of the Sum of £32 ,, 13 ,, 4. for his Salary and attendance as charged in his Account, which is hereby allowed him —

The Committee appointed to consider of the expediency of fixing Lamps in this Town having met several times and taken the same into consideration beg leave to Report — That for the convenience and safety of the Inhabitants and their Property it would be adviseable for the Town to have 300 — Street Lamps fixt in commodious places to be hereafter determined —

The Committee Judge, that each Lamp with the charge of Erecting the same will cost about thirty Shillings —

That the Annual consumption of Oyle will be about 10 Gallons to a Lamp, which at the present price of Oyle, with the Wick Yarn attendance and repairs, will cost about thirty six Shillings —

As to ways and means for defreying the charge it is recommended to the Town to appoint a Committee to procure Subscriptions for the first cost of the Lamps, if this should meet with due encouragement: It is recommended that an application be made to the General Court for a Law obliging the Inhabitants of this Town to pay a certain yearly rate for every Wheel Carriage they own, and empowering the Town Treasurer to receive of every Inholder and Retailer of Spirituous Liquors and Vendue Masters a certain sum when they renew their Licenses [414.] From these Funds it is imagined the Expence may be defreyyed — All which is submitted —

JOHN ROWE *per* Order.

The foregoing Report having been read and considered — the Question was put — “ Whether the same shall be accepted ” — Passed in the Affermative —

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted, that - - -

M^r. James Richardson
M^r. Edward Payde
M^r. Daniel Hubbard
M^r. Caleb Davis
M^r. Rcbert Peirpoint
M^r. William Bant
M^r. Philip Dumaresque

M^r. Henry Hill
 M^r. Peter Johannot
 M^r. John Ballard
 Cap^t. William Mackay
 Cap^t. John Bradford

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to procure Subscriptions for the first cost of the Lamps.

Upon a Motion made Voted, that —

The Representatives of the Town &
 The Gentlemen the Selectmen

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to make application to the General Court for a law obliging the Inhabitants of this Town to pay a certain Yearly rate for every Wheel Carriage they own, and empowering the Town Treasurer to receive of every Inholder and Retailer of Spirituous Liquors and Vendue Masters, a [415.] Certain Sum when they receive their Licenses, as a Fund to support the Expence of keeping and supplying three hundred Lamps in this Town —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. John Kneeland
 M^r. Benjamin Church
 Belcher Noyes Esq.
 M^r. Daniel Pecker
 M^r. Jonathan Brown
 Gyles Harris Esq.
 Cap^t. Samuel Downe

were chose Assessors for the Year ensuing —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is impowered and directed to borrow on Interest a Sum not exceeding Four hundred pounds lawful Money for the use of the Overseers of the Poor, to purchase Grain &c. for the Almshouse —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is directed and impower'd to give his negotiable Notes upon Interest to such of the Overseers of the Poor, as are in advance for the relief of the Town, for such sums as appear to be due them respectively upon the Auditing of their Accounts to the present Month. —

Voted, that the Assessors be and hereby are impowered and directed to set for Abatement of such Taxes as they shall Judge reasonable on every Wednesday untill the last Wednesday in April inclusive and no longer saving that they be allowed to set the two last Weeks in November, for the [416.] Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons as had not an opportunity of applying the above limited time by reason of their being out of the Province; at which Time They are also allowed and impower'd to abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died Insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April and the last Day of November. —

The Petition of a number of the Inhabitants "that Hog Alley may be disposed of or some method taken to carry off the filth

and waste Water which greatly incommodes the Abutters." was read and considered, whereupon —

Voted, that Benjamin Kent Esq.

M^r. Robert Peirpoint

Samuel Swift Esq.

M^r. Thomas Chase

M^r. Thomas Bayler

be a Committee to consider the Petition view the Premises and examine into the Title of the Town to said Alley, and Report their Opinion at the Adjournment —

The Petition of M^r. Joseph Russell "that the Town would sell him a small peice of the Land, adjoining to his House and Land in Queen Street." was read, whereupon —

Voted, that The Selectmen be a Committee to consider the Petition, and Report their Opinion at the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday next. 9. O'Clock. A : M :

Tuesday 9. March, 9 O'Clock Met according to Adjournment.

[417.] M^r. Joseph Loring
was chosen a Scavenger for Ward N^o. 6 in the room of M^r. Samuel Bradstreet —

Voted, That M^r. Edward Payne

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Thomas Dawes Esq.

Cap^t. John Bradford

be and they hereby are appointed a Committee to Audit the Accompts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, and the Accompts of the Overseers of the Poor, and the said Committee are enjoined to inspect every particular Accompt of the Moneys expended for the use of the Almshouse; they are also impowered when they shall Audit said Accompts to allow such of the Overseers as shall advance Money for the relief of the Poor, Interest on all such sums from the time so advanced, till they shall have Audited said Accompts; And they are also desired to Report from time to time a state of the Treasury respecting the Debts and Credits, and on any matters that they may think proper. —

Voted, that the Sum of twelve Pence on the pound be & hereby is allowed to such Persons as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall Collect; provided they pay into the several Treasuries the whole Sum committed to them to Collect on or before the tenth Day of August 1774. Eight Pence on the Pound on all such other Sums as they shall have so paid into said Treasuries on or before the 20. Day of December 1774. And four Pence on the Pound upon the remainder of the sums they shall be obliged to Collect, provided such remainder shall be fully paid in on or before the second Monday in March 1775 — This Premium as above expressed appears to be Just & equitable & an ample allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to [418.] Discharge their duty with diligence and fidelity; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with

sufficient Sureties to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, for the faithful discharge of their duty in said Office; and complying with this Vote —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Four Collectors of Taxes, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

Mess^{rs}: Edward Hollyday
Abraham Savage
Benjamin Henderson
Benjamin Gray

were chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that the consideration of Schoolmasters Salarys and all other Salaries and Grants be referred over to next May Meeting —

The Petition of a number of Inhabitants, “that a Watch House may be Erected at the Westerly part of the Town and a suitable Watch be appointed” was read and considered, whereupon — Voted, that the Prayer of the Petition be granted and that the Selectmen be directed to Erect a Watch-house on some suitable place at New Boston, and to appoint a proper Watch for the same —

The Petition of Cap^t Edward Jarvis, “that his tax for the Year 1760. may be abated him for reasons therein mentioned” was read, whereupon —

Voted, that the Assessors be and hereby are appointed a Committee to take the same into consideration and Report at the Adjournment the true state of the matter respecting the Abate-ments —

[419.] The Petition of M^r. Samuel Holbrook Master of the Writing School in the Common “that some Relief may be afforded him for Reasons set forth in his Petition.” was read, whereupon Voted, that the Consideration thereof be referred over to May Meeting

The Petition of M^r. John Fenno Usher of the aforesaid School “that his Salary may be augmented for Reasons therein offered” — was read, and the consideration thereof referred over to May Meeting —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t “Of the Request of a number of the Inhabitants to consider what is proper to be done to vindicate the Town from the gross misrepresentations and groundless charges in his Excellencys Messages to both Houses, respecting the Proceedings of the Town at their last Meeting” — was read — whereupon

Voted, that M^r. Samuel Adams
D^r. Joseph Warren
D^r. Benjamin Church
Joseph Greanleaff Esq.
Samuel Swift. Esq.

be a Committee to take this Article into Consideration, and Report at the Adjournment —

Benjamin Kent Esq.
James Otis Esq.
D^r. Thomas Young, see above

proposal of M^r. William Whitwell and others was introduced read, and considerable debate had thereon, but as it was not read in the Warrant for this Meeting, no Motion was made thereupon —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. “ To know the mind [420.] of the Inhabitants whether it will not be for the safety & preservation of the Town, that Pumps be fixed at the Mill Bridge and New Bridge, or some other places to be used in times of Fire ” was read whereupon Voted, that

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
M^r. William Whitwell
John Barret Esq.
John Tudor Esq.

Committee to consider of this matter, and Report at the next Town Meeting —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t — “ To consider the Request of a number of the Inhabitants, that Sea Street may be thoroughly cleaned,” — was read, and after some Debate Voted, that —

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
Thomas Daws Esq.
M^r. William Whitwell
M^r. John Sweetser
M^r. Robert Peirpoint

Committee to take this Matter into consideration, to enquire of the Proprietors on that Street are obliged to do by their Warrants, and to Report as soon as may be —

The Petition of a number of Inhabitants — “ That a new Street be laid out from the end of Union Street across Friend Street, through the Lands of Cap^t. Andrews and others, laid waste by the late Fire so as to strike upon Sudbury Street ” was read, whereupon —

Voted that Jonathan Williams Esq.
M^r. Jonathan Mason
John Tudor Esq.
Thomas Gray Esq.
M^r. Henderson Inches

[21.] Committee to take the same into consideration, and Report at the next Town Meeting —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “ To consider the Request of the Fire-Wards, that a number of Leather Buckets may be provided for each Engine ” was read & considered whereupon Voted, that the Fire Ward be and they hereby are desired and empowered to provide Six Leather Buckets for each Fire Engine —

The Petition of M^r. Gowen Brown “ That the Clock now placed in the Old South Church Steeple may be purchased for a public Clock ” was read, whereupon Voted that —

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
M^r. Timothy Newell
M^r. John Sweetser
M^r. John Pitts
Thomas Daws Esq.

be a Committee to take the same into consideration and Report at the Adjournment

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday the 23^d. of March Instant 9. O'Clock A : M : And the Meeting was accordingly Adjourned —

Tuesday the 23^d. of March 9. O'Clock A : M : Town Met according to Adjournment —

Mr. Edward Payne chosen a Warden for the Year ensuing, having desired to be excused from serving in that office, as a lameness occasioned by a wound received on the [422.] Fifth of March 1770. rendered him unable to discharge this Duty, he was accordingly excused by the Town

The Town brought in their Votes for one Constable and upon sorting them it appeared that

Mr. William Todd

was chosen a Constable for the Year ensuing —

Mr. James Richardson chosen one of the Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing, having desired to be excused from serving in that Office, he was accordingly excused —

Mr. James Richardson Chairman of the Committee appointed by the Town to procure Subscriptions to the amount of the first cost of the Lamps Voted to be purchased being unable to attend the Meeting — Mr. Edward Payne one of said Committee Reported — “That altho' they were not able to make a full Report they could notwithstanding acquaint the Town, that they had proceeded so far in the business enjoined them, as now to give it as their opinion, that they should be able to obtain the Sum wanted for the purpose aforesaid” — whereupon it was Voted, that the consideration of the Report of the Committee relative to the Lamps should be referred to the next Day 11. O'Clock. A : M :

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Mr. Joseph Russell, “That the Town would sell him a small peice of the Land Adjoining to his House and Land in Queen Street.” Reported as their opinion, that it would not be for the interest of the Town to dispose of said Land — And the Question being put — Whether [423.] Said Report shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

The Assessors of the Town of Boston, a Committee appointed to consider the Petition of Cap'. Robert Jarvis “That his tax for the Year 1760 may be abated him” Reported “That the said Robert Jarvis being desired to give his attendance was informed that on his application to the Assessors of said Town there had been a consideration made him, which he said he never knew of, otherwise he should not have applyed to the Town, and according he paid the aforesaid tax to Mr. Robert Peirpoint the Collector.” — which Report was accepted by the Town —

Mr. Samuel Adams acquainted the Moderator, that he was directed by a Committee of which he was Chairman to make a Report; and the same was read as follows. Viz'. —

“The Committee appointed to consider what is proper to be done to vindicate the Town from the gross misrepresentations and

groundless charges in his Excellencies Messages to both Houses of the General Assembly respecting the proceedings of the Town at their last Meeting beg leave to Report —

“ That having carefully looked over the several speeches of the Governor of the Province to the Council and House of Representatives, in the last Session of the General Assembly, they find that his Excellency has plainly *insinuated*;

First, that the said Meeting of the Town was illegal in *itself* —

“ Secondly that the points therein determined were [424.] Such as the Law gives the Inhabitants of Towns in their Corporate capacities no power to act upon, & therefore that the Proceedings of said Meeting were against Law, And,

“ Thirdly that the Inhabitants thus Assembled advanced and afterwards, published to the World such principles as have a direct tendency to alienate the Affections of the People from their Sovereign. And he plainly asserts that “ they denied in the most express terms the supremacy of Parliament, and invited every other Town and District in the Province to adopt the same Principles ” —

“ We have therefore thought it necessary to recur to the methods taken for calling said Meeting And we find that three Petitions were preferred to the Selectmen signed by 198 respectable Inhabitants making mention of a Report that then prevailed and which since appears to have been well grounded, that Salaries were allowed to be paid to the Justices of the Superior Court of the Province by Order of the Crown; whereby they were to be made totally independent of the General Assembly and absolutely dependent on the Crown: And setting forth their apprehensions that such an establishment would give a finishing stroke to the system of tyranny already began, and compleat the ruin of the liberties of the People. And therefore earnestly requesting the Selectmen to call a Meeting that this matter might be duly considered by the Town, and such measures taken as the necessity and importance thereof required. Whereupon the Selectmen issued a Warrant for calling a Meeting accordingly: And which was [425.] Strictly agreeable to the Laws of this Province, and the practice of this and other Towns from the earliest times —

“ By an Act of this Province made in the fourth of William & Mary, it is enacted that, “ when and so often as there shall be occasion of a Town Meeting of any business of publick concernment to the Town there to be done, the Constable or Constables of such Town by order of the Selectmen, or the major part of them, or the Town Clerk by their order, in each respective Town within the Province shall warn a Meeting of such Towns.” And by another Act made in the 2^d. George I. it is enacted, “ that when and so often as ten or more of the Freeholders, shall signify under their hands to the Selectmen, their desire to have any matter or thing inserted into a Warrant for calling a Town Meeting, the Selectmen are hereby required to insert the Same in the next Warrant they shall issue for the calling a Town Meeting ” —

“ But were there no such laws of the Province or should our Enemies pervert these and other laws made for the same purpose, from their plain and obvious intent and meaning, still there is the

great and perpetual law of self preservation, to which every natural Person or Corporate Body hath an inherent right to recur. This being the law of the Creator, no human law can be of force against it: And indeed it is an absurdity to suppose that any such law could be made by common consent, which alone gives validity to Human laws. If then the "*matter or thing*"—Viz^t. the fixing Salaries to the Offices of the Judges of the Superior Court as aforesaid, was such as threatened the lives, liberties and properties of the People which we have the authority of the greatest Assembly of the Province to affirm; the Inhabitants of this or any other Town, had certainly an uncontrovertible right to meet together, either in the manner the law has prescribed, or in any other orderly manner, Jointly to consult the necessary means of their own [426.] Preservation and safety. The Petitioners wisely chose the rule of the Province law by applying to the Selectmen for a Meeting; and they as it was their duty to do, followed the same rule and called a Meeting accordingly. We are therefore not a little surprised, that his Excellency speaking of this and other principal Towns, should descend to such an artful use of words; that "a "*number of Inhabitants* have assembled together, and having *assumed* the name of a legal Town Meeting" &c. thereby appearing to have a design to lead an inattentive reader to believe, that no regard was had to the laws of the Province, in calling these Meetings, and consequently to consider them as illegal & disorderly —

"The Inhabitants being met and for the purpose aforesaid the points determined his Excellency says "were such as the law gives the Inhabitants of Towns in their Corporate Capacity no power to act upon." It would be a sufficient Justification of the Town to say, that no law *forbids* the Inhabitants of Towns in their Corporate capacities to determine such points as were then determined. And if there was no positive legal restraint upon their conduct it was doing them an essential injury, to represent it to the world as *illegal*. Where the law makes no special provision for the common safety, the People have a right to consult their own preservation; and the necessary means to withstand a most dangerous attack of Arbitrary power, At such a time it is but a pitiful objection to their thus doing, that the Law has not expressly given them a power to act upon such points. This is the very language of Tyranny: And when such objections are offered to prevent the Peoples Meeting together in a time of publick danger, it affords of itself Just grounds of Jealousy, that a plan is laid for their Slavery —

[427.] The Town entered upon an enquiry into the Grounds of a report, in which the common safety was very greatly interested. They made their application to the Governor, a *Fellow Citizen* as well as the first Magistrate of the Province: But they were informed by his Excellency that "it was by no means proper for him" to acquaint *them* whether he had or had not received any advices relating to the publick affairs of the Government of the Province" There next determination was to Petition the Governor, that the General Assembly might be allowed

meet at the time to which it then stood prorogued: But his Excellency refused to grant this request least it should be "engaging the Inhabitants of other Towns to Assemble," to consider of the necessity or expediency of a Session of the General Assembly." Hitherto the Town had determined upon no point but only that of petitioning the Governor: And will his Excellency or any one else affirm, that the Inhabitants of this or any other Town, have not a right in their Corporate capacity to petition for a Session of the General Assembly, merely because the Constitution of this Province, that authorizes Towns to Assemble does not expressly make *that* the business of a Town Meeting.

It is the declaration of the Bill of Rights founded in reason that it is the right of the Subject to Petition the King: And it appears in his Excellency's answer, that the Inhabitants of this Town were in effect denied in one instance at least the right of petitioning his Majesty's Representative. Which was the more grievous to them, because the prayer of their petition was nothing less, than that the General Assembly might have the opportunity of requiring of the Governor into the grounds of the report of an intolerable grievance which his Excellency had before strongly represented to them, it was not in his power to inform *them of*, consistent with fidelity to the trust which his Majesty had reposed in him" —

[28.] "We have been the more particular in reciting the proceedings of that Meeting thus far, in order that the propriety and necessity of the further proceedings of the same Meeting may appear in a true point of light

His Excellency having thus frowned upon the reasonable Petition of the Town; and they having the strongest apprehensions, in addition to or rather in consequence of other Grievances unredressed, a mortal wound would very soon be given to the Constitution of the Province and having no assurance of timely interposition of the General Assembly, to whose wisdom they were earnestly solicitous to refer the whole matter; the Town thought it expedient to state as far as they were able the Rights of the Colonists, and of this Province, to enumerate the infringements on those Rights, and in a Circular Letter to each of the Towns and Districts in the Province to submit the same to their consideration: That the Subject might be weighed as its importance required, and the collected wisdom of the whole People as far as possible obtained. At the same time *not* "calling upon" the Towns and Districts, "to adopt their principles" as his Excellency in one of his Speeches affirms; but only informing them that free communication of their sentiments to this Town of our common danger, was earnestly solicited and would be gratefully received. We may Justly affirm that the Town had a right at that time to communicate their sentiments of matters which so nearly concerned the publick liberty and consequently their own preservation. They were matters to use the words of the Province of "publick concernment" to this and every other Town, and every Individual in the Province: Any attempt therefore to obstruct the channel of publick [429.] Intelligence in this way,

argues in our opinion a design to keep the People in ignorance of their danger, that they may be the more easily and speedily enslaved —

It is notorious to all the World, that the liberties of this Continent and especially of this Province have been *systematically*, and successfully invaded from step to step. It is not then to say the least, Justifiable in any Towns as *being part of the great whole*, when the last effort of Tyranny is about to be made, to spread the earliest notice of it far and wide, and hold up the *iniquitous* System in full view. It is a great satisfaction to us, that so many of the respectable Towns in the Province, and we may add Gentlemen of figure in other Colonies, have expressed and continue to express themselves much pleased with the measure: And we encourage ourselves, that from the *manifest discovery* of an union of sentiments, in this Province, which has been one happy fruit of it, there will be the united efforts of *the whole* in all constitutional and proper methods to prevent the entire ruin of our liberties —

“ His Excellency is pleased to say in one of his Speeches that the Town have “denied in the most express terms the Supremacy of Parliament” — It is fortunate for the Town, that they made choice of the very mode of expression which the present House of Representatives in their wisdom made use of in settling the matters of controversy between the Governor and them. And after what they have advanced upon the Subject, it appears to us impossible to be shown that the Parliament of Great Britain can exercise the “power of legislation for the Colonists in all cases whatever,” consistently with the right that belongs to the Colonists as Men, as Christians & as Subjects; or without destroying the foundation of their own Constitution [430.] If the assertion that the Parliament hath no right to exercise a power in cases where it is plain they have no right, hath a direct tendency to alienate the affections of the People from their Sovereign, because he is a constituent part of that Parliament which seems to be his Excellencies manner of reasoning, it follows as we conceive that there must never be a complaint of any assumption of power in the Parliament, or petition for repeal of any law made repugnant to the Constitution least it should tend to alienate the affections of the People from their Sovereign. But we have a better opinion of our fellow Subjects than to concede to such conclusions. We are assured they can clearly see that a mistake in principle may be consistent with integrity of heart; & for our parts we shall ever be inclined to attribute the Grievances of various kinds which his Majestys American Subjects have so long suffered, to the weakness or wickedness of his Ministers and Servants, and not to any disposition in *him* to injure them. And we yet persuade ourselves that could the Petitions of his much aggrieved Subjects be transmitted to his Majesty, through the hands of an honest impartial Minister, we should not fail of ample Redress —

“ His Excellencys Argument seems to us to be rather strained, when he is attempting to shew that we have “invited every other

Town and District to adopt our Principles." It is this the Town says "if it should be the general voice of the Province, that the Rights as stated do not belong to them (trusting however that this cannot be the case) they shall lament the extinction of ardour of Civil & Religeous liberty; *therefore* says his Excellency, the Town invited to adopt their principles! Could it possibly be supposed that when his Excellency had declared to the whole Province, that [431.] We had invited every other Town and District in this Province to adopt the same principles, he intended to avail himself of such an explanation! Much the same way of reasoning follows — Tho' it would not be to the reputation of the other Towns if it should have any weight.) That because their consequent doings were similar to those of this Town, *therefore* they understood y^l. they were invited to *adopt* the same principles, and *therefore* they were thus invited to adopt them. —

Upon the whole there can be no room to doubt, but that every Town which has thought it expedient to Correspond with this on the occasion, have acted *their own* Judgement & expressed *their own* sentiments & principles: It is an unspeakable satisfaction to us, that their sentiments so nearly accord with ours; and it adds a dignity to our proceedings, that when the House of Representatives were called upon by the Governor to bear their testimony against them, as of a "dangerous nature & tendency they saw reason to declare" — that they had not discovered that the Principles advanced by the Town of Boston were unwarrantable by the Constitution —

The foregoing Report was accepted by the Town *nemine contradicente*. and Ordered to be Recorded on the Towns Book, as the sense of the Inhabitants of this Town —

Voted, that the said Report be printed in the several News Papers, and that the Committee of Correspondence be directed to transmit a printed Copy thereof to such Towns and Districts as they have or may Correspond with —

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition of a number of Inhabitants "that Hog Alley may be disposed of or some method taken to carry off the filth and waste Water which greatly incommodes the Abutters" — to view the Premises and to examine into the Title of the Town to said Alley and to Report [432.] At the Adjournment — gave in the following Report —

That in pursuance of their trust they have viewed Hog Alley, and the Land Adjoining and near the same, and find that said Alley now is and many years past has been a great Nuisance to the Abutters and many others; the Committee also find that it has been occasioned by the alteration of the old natural course of the Water which used to run from Beacon Hill down to the Gate entering into the Common a little below Sheriff Greanleaff's Garden, or near to it, and that from thence there was a large Water course running down and terminating in a Pond which bears near South of Frog Pond. —

The Committee further Report that on the 22^d. of September 1701. the Selectmen were impowored to affix & assign Names to the several Streets And Lanes in this Town, and on the Spring of the

Year 1708. having taken such Account Hog Alley is mentioned among the rest and by the Town Recorded but we do not find that Hog Alley was ever given or sold to the Town or any wise claimed by the Town or as a Town way; for in the Year 1702 there was no such Alley, and one Durant then sold to Thomas Blin (under whom Mess^{rs}. Brimmers Claim) a p'cell of Land part of said Durants Pasture lying to the North of his Message called the Lamb and bounds his Grant Southerly upon his own Land from Newbury Street to the Common we also find that the strip of Land called Hog Alley was left out of said Blins own Land (as we suppose for his own convenience) and that that Alley way was left out as aforesaid between the Years 1702 & 1708. so that the Committee are further of opinion that the only proper as well as the cheapest way to carry the Water from against Winter Street to the said Gate or near it, is to continue the paved Gutter next the Mall opposite to Winter Street down to or near the Gate aforesaid, and there to conduct [433.] The Water under a Stone Bridge three feet wide across the Mall and thereby the Water will be carried off in its former natural course into the Pond aforesaid the which heretofore being obstructed, has occasioned the nuisance aforesaid and also has very much hurt and injured the Towns Land by the School house, which has rendred the Road along there frequently almost impossible: We are also of opinion that the fee of Hog Alley is in Mess^{rs}. Brimmers, and who as they will be accomodated by the Removal of the Fence North of said Alley are willing to lay as much Gravel as will to all intents prevent any inconvenience to those who hold under Durant or any of the Vicinity there and which will ever preserve the Mali intire and prevent further charge —

BENJAMIN KENT p. Order.

The foregoing Report having been read and debate had thereon, — A Motion was made that said Report be recommitted, which did not obtain, — the Question being then put — Whether the Report shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative

M^r. John Copley chosen a Warden for the Year ensuing, having acquainted the Town that he was about leaving the Province for some time; and desiring to be excused he was accordingly excused —

The Town brought in their Votes for two Wardens and upon sorting them, it appeared that —

Mess^{rs}. Joshua Green - - - - - (excused)
Andrew Black

were chose Wardens for the ensuing Year - - - - -
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Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given M^r. James Richardson for his good services as a Fire-Ward, several Years past —

[434.] The Town brought in their Votes for one Fire Ward in the room of M^r. James Richardson, who had resigned and upon sorting them it appeared that

M^r. John Coffin
was chosen a Fire-Ward for the ensuing Year —

The Committee appointed to consider, "Whether it will not be more for the safety and preservation of the Town, that Pumps be fixed at the Mill Bridge or some other places to be used in times of Fire" now Report —

That they have attended that service and are unanimously of opinion, that it will tend greatly for the preservation of the Towns & safety in a time of Fire to have two Pumps fixed at the Mill bridge, one on each side and two at the Draw bridge in the same manner. The Committee having viewed said Bridges & the Mill Creek find very convenient places where said Pumps may be fixed, without any inconvenience to the Inhabitants, or to Carriages passing over said Bridges one of which the Committee propose shall be in the House or Shed lately erected at the Mill Bridge for the new Engine given to the Town by the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. —

The Committee have also procured an estimate of the expence that will arise if the Town shall think proper to have said Pumps, and it will be about Seven Pounds lawful Money for each Pump, the whole charges of the Pump maker, Blacksmiths and Carpenters being included in this sum —

The Committee also Report that they Judge it necessary, another Pump about midway between the 1. Bridge on the Southwest side of the Creek should be fixed, as there are a great number of large Wooden [435.] Houses and Buildings in that Neighbourhood, & few of them have Wells and Pumps, and in case of a Fire thereabouts the chief supply of Water must be from the Creek, and if a Pump should be fixed there, it would prevent great destruction in a time of Fire, and this the Committee would recommend provided the Inhabitants and Proprietors of Houses who are near will at their own Expence fill up and keep in Repair the Passage Way belonging to the Town that leads to the place where this Pump is proposed to be fixed —

All which is submitted in the name of the Committee —

E. GOLDTHWAIT.

The foregoing Report having been read & considered it was Voted, the same be accepted, and that the Selectmen be directed to procure Pumps and fix them at the Places mentioned in the Report as soon as may be —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Wednesday the 24. Instant 11. O'Clock A: M:

Wednesday March 24 inst 11 O'Clock A. M: Met according to Adjournment —

Mr. Benjamin Hammett was chosen a Clerk of the Market for the Year ensuing —

The Town brought in their Votes for two Wardens and upon sorting them it appeared, that

Mr. Samuel Allen Ottis

Cap^t. John Pulling

were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing —

[436.] A Motion made and seconded, that the two Votes passed the 8. of March Instant so far as they respect "the ways

and means for defreying the charge of keeping and supplying the Lamps," the Town have ordered to be purchased; also the appointing a Committee to "make application to the General Court for a Law obliging the Inhabitants of this Town to pay a certain yearly Rate for every Wheel Carriage they own, and empowering the Town Treasurer to receive of every Inholder and Retailer of Spirituous Liquors and Vendue Masters a certain Sum when they receive their Licenses as a Friend to support the Expence of keeping and supplying three hundred Lamps in this Town," be reconsidered, and the Question being accordingly put— Passed in the Affermative —also

Voted, that the Expence of keeping & supplying three hundred Lamps or any further number shall be defreayed by a general Tax on the Inhabitants of this Town —

Upon a Motion made and seconded, Voted,
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 John Rowe Esq.
 M^r. Ebenezer Storer
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 William Phillips Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

be a Committee to consider of some proper regulations for the security of Lamps that are to be placed in this Town, and to Report the same at the next Meeting, as also their Opinion relative to the fashion, purchase placing and lighting said Lamps, and every other [437.] Thing they may think necessary to be done upon this matter — see Page

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that —
 M^r. James Richardson
 M^r. Edward Payne
 M^r. Daniel Hubbard
 Deacon Caleb Davis
 M^r. Robert Peirpoint
 M^r. William Bant
 M^r. Philip Dumeresque
 M^r. Henry Hill
 M^r. Peter Johonnot
 M^r. John Ballard
 Cap^t. William Mackay
 Cap^t. John Bradford

A Committee appointed the 8th. Instant to procure Subscriptions of the Inhabitants for such Sums as may be thought necessary to defrey the first cost of the Lamps, Voted by the Town, be desired to Collect the Monys subscribed for as soon as possible —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[438.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the 5. Day of May 1778

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Mather by Google

The Precept and Warrant for calling the Meeting read

Sundry Laws - - - - - read —

M^r. Timothy Newell one of the Selectmen proposed in their Names to the Inhabitants Assembled to proceed to the choice of one or more Persons to Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly to be held at the Town House in Boston upon Wednesday the 26. Day of May Current, and in order thereto to consider and ascertain the number of Gentlemen to be Elected; Accordingly it was Voted, to proceed to the choice of Four Representatives and then it was declared by the Selectmen, that no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded; and that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12. O'Clock —

The Town brought in their Votes for Four Representatives, the Number of the same was found to be 419, and upon sorting them it appeared, that the Four following Gentlemen were chosen Viz^t.

- The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. - - - - 418
- The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. - - - - 417
- M^r Samuel Adams - - - - - 413
- William Phillips Esq. - - - - - 416

[439.] The choice of Representatives being over, and declared by the Selectmen, the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting in order that Town may proceed in transacting the other affairs mentioned in the Warrant: Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew and brought in their Votes & upon sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen; but the Town being soon informed by the Constable sent to M^r. Cushing, that he was gone out of Town, they proceeded to bring in their Votes for another, Moderator as directed by the Selectmen, and upon sorting them it appeared that M^r. Samuel Adams Esq. was chosen

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “Whether the Town will give Instructions to the Representatives that may be chosen,” was read, whereupon Voted, that the Town will give Instructions to their Representatives — also Voted, that —

- Dr. Joseph Warren
- D^r. Benjamin Church
- Joseph Greanleaff Esq.
- M^r. Nathaniel Appleton
- M^r William Cooper —

be a Committee to prepare Instructions for our Representatives in General Assembly, and to Report if they are able at 5. O'Clock in the Evening —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P: M:

3 O'Clock Met according to Adjournment

[440.] To the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of Boston in Town Meeting Assembled May 5. 1773 —

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town of Boston at their annual Meeting the 6th. Day of May last, desiring the Selectmen to Visit the Publick Schools in the Town and to Invite such Gentlemen to accompany them therein as they shall think proper, and to Report thereon —

We the Subscribers accordingly attended that service on the 1st Day of July last, and the following Gentlemen were invited to accompany us therein — Viz'. —

The Hon^{ble} John Irving Esq.

James Bowdoin Esq.

Thomas Hubbard Esq.

Harrison Gray Esq.

James Pitts Esq.

The Representatives of the Town

The Overseers of the Poor

The Town Treasurer

The Rev^d Charles Chauncey - - - - - D: D:

Mather Byles - - - - - D: D:

Andrew Eliot - - - - - D: D:

Ebenezer Pemberton - - - - - D: D:

Samuel Cooper - - - - - D: D:

Samuel Mather

John Hunt

John Bacon

John Lothrop

Simeon Howard

Searl

Penuel Bowen

M^r William Powell

Maj^r Nathaniel Barbour

M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

M^r. John Sweetser

M^r. Thomas Brattle

M^r. William Dennie

Byfield Lyde Esq.

M^r. John Amory

Joseph Jackson Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches

M^r. Jonathan Mason

M^r. Ebenezer Storer

Samuel Pemberton Esq.

Cap^t. Martin Gay

Coll^o. John Erving

Thomas Daws Esq.

M^r. Joshua Blanchard

M^r. Thomas Leverit

Maj^r. Adino Paddock

Coll^o. William Coffin

M^r. John Joy

Joseph Scott Esq.

James Otis Esq.

Joshua Winslow Esq. from Nova Scotia

Thomas Boylston Esq.

Thomas Alwin Esq.

M^r. Tuttle Hubbard

M^r. Carson } from S^c. Carolina

M^r. Ludson }

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Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
 Mr. John Mico Wendell
 Mr. Thomas Amory
 Mr. John Greanleaff
 Mr. Nathaniel Allen of Cape Ann
 Edmund Quincy Esq.
 Dr. Joseph Warren
 Mr. William Mollineux
 Mr. Ebenezer Hancock —

442.] And found the South Grammar School had 130 Schol-
 the North Grammar School 59 Scholars; the South Writing
 pool 220 Scholars; the North Writing School 250 Scholars; the
 ting School in Queen Street 264 Scholars, all in very good
 r —

JOHN SCOLLAY	} Selectmen of Boston
TIMOTHY NEWELL	
THOMAS MARSHALL	
SAMUEL AUSTIN	

Mr. Elias Parkman —

chosen a Clerk of the Market for the Year ensuing.
 that Article in the Warrant Viz^t. — “ To consider whether any
 her directions are necessary to be given M^r. Treasurer Jeffries,
 tive to the Money borrowed of the Town some time since by
 Managers of the Linen Manufactory Company ” — was read
 after debate had thereon — Motioned —

that the Selectmen be impowered to receive of the Linen Man-
 tory Company, the Money now in the hands of Ezekiel Gold-
 ait Esq. Executor of the late Middlecott Cook Esq. who was
 k of said Company, & is the balance remaining due; as also
 the Utensils & Articles that now remains in the hands of the
 npany and upon this being done to give them a discharge —
 Question being accordingly put — passed in the Negative

was then moved and Voted, that the Town Treasurer be di-
 ed to put the Companys Obligation for Moneys lent them by
 Town, in Suit, immediately, as twenty Years have near expired
 e the Note was given — also Voted, that —

Mr. Samuel Adams
 William Phillips Esq.
 Mr. William Mollineux
 Mr. William Greanleaff
 Mr. Moses Gill

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a Committee to examine the Books of the late Manufactory
 npany so called, they consenting thereto, and to ascertain the
 unt of Stock in their hands when the Company discontinued
 Manufactory; and also to take an Account of the Utensils then
 heir possession, and the value of the same and to Report as
 as may be —

the Committee appointed to prepare Instructions for the Repre-
 natives, Reported the following Draught —

To the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Mr. Samuel Adams
 Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

William Phillips Esq.
Representatives for the Town of Boston —

Gentlemen

By the renewed Suffrages of your Brethren of this Town, you are once more called upon to Represent them in the General Assembly: The unanimity so conspicuous in your Election at this important Juncture affords the strongest Testimony of the confidence the People repose in your approved Abilities, and inflexible Attachment to their Constitutional Rights. —

Your Constituents have beheld with indignation that purposed neglect and insolent contempt with which the Representative Body of this People have been regarded by Administration. A total inattention to the privileges of the Commons in America has disgraced almost every transaction, that materially effected the Colonies: [444.] A clandestine, capricious and destructive mode of Government, couch'd under the specious umbrage of Instructions from Majesty, has been uniformly adopted and wantonly exercised for several Years past, thereby rendering the Assemblys of Commons throughout the Colonies, mere Cyphers in the Constitution: For this reason Gentlemen, *we were almost discouraged from renewing the choice of Members, as ineffectual for the several purposes for which they were originally ordain'd;* but still retaining respect to that good and orderly Government, which has ever distinguished this Metropolis; agreeable to the Charter, which on *our* parts remains inviolate, we *once* more recommend the important concerns of this aggrieved People, to your vigilance, wisdom and integrity; in confidence that you will regard with Jealousy, *your own* constitutional power & importance of which the honor and welfare of this People, should render you extremely tenacious; that you will vigorously oppose any incroachments on your ancient privileges and never will betray your Constituents, by surrendering those powers of framing Laws & Taxes for the People to any Usurper under Heaven —

The Constitutional mode by which Legislation & Taxation are conducted in Great Britain, being nothing more or less than the exercise of the power of the People by their Representatives: This form of Government is extended by sacred compact to the English Dominions in America, therefore the Privileges and Powers of the Commons of this Colony respecting Legislation and Taxation are to all intents and purposes, as full express and uncontrollable within the *Colony* as those usually exercised by the Commons of Great Britain within the *Realm* and *alike* subjected [445.] To the Revision of the King: These Powers and Privileges were secured to our Ancestors, by solem Covenant between them, and the King of England, and perpetuated by their Charter to their latest Posterity: From the free and full enjoyment of these original Rights of English Subjects, we are determined never to recede; and altho' they have been repeatedly and daringly invaded, the hand of Oppression shall never induce us to relinquish our title to freedom: We still perceive with indignation that the Governmental powers of Legislation & Taxation by Arbitrary claim are assumed, and vigorously exercised by those who by their local

situation can have no adequate knowledge of our circumstances, no kindred feelings in our distresses, and when swayed by a *corrupt influence*, may impoverish weaken and enslave us —

To the numberless grievances flowing from this iniquitous source, which we have already frequently and fruitlessly complained of, we may Justly add a stipendary Soldierly stationed and continued in the chief Fortress in the Metropolis of this Colonie by the inexorable Enemies to our free Constitution: Standing Armies have forever made Shipwreck of Free States and no People Jealous of their liberties ever patiently suffered Mercenary Troops to be quarter'd & maintained within their Populous Cities; the Militia of the Colony are its natural and best defence; and it is an approved maxim in all well policed States, that the Sword should never be intrusted but to those who combat *pro aris et facis*; and whose interest it is to preserve the publick peace. We cannot therefore but resent those Standing Troops within our Capital Cities, as the appointed Executioners of Tyranny, and prepared Instruments to massacre the defenceless Citizens, at the nod of any Master who [446.] May have Authority to appoint or discharge, reward or punish them —

Thus armed with Brutal force the Enemies of our freedom persevere with alacrity, to compleat their infernal plan of enslaving America; the above atrocious violations of Right, Justice and the Constitution are succeeded by the pensioning our Governor the Justices of the Superior Court &c. which in effect is bribing them on the side of Despotism: Those who by their several Offices should be the Asylum of publick security & liberty, are no longer the objects of confidence and regard with the People; we cannot but esteem them as subordinate Tyrants intrusted with a Rod to scourge us, and suppress that spirit of freedom which is the glorious characteristic of America. While they are thus purchased with ample Salaries extorted from the Colonies by Great Britain, we must be Jealous of a corrupt influence, when ever an Arbitrary measure of Government is to be carried, or a Claim of Right subjected to the Division of our Courts of Justice —

We shall not recapitulate the black Catalogue of abuses which the Colonies have been subjected to for several years past; that we have suffered them so long is disgraceful to us: But we cannot pass over in silence the late extraordinary and formidable innovation in constituting an Arbitrary Court of Inquisition, which has lately assumed Jurisdiction within our Sister Colony of Rhode Island, in direct violation of all law and Justice; who arrogate the enormous power to transport supposed Offenders to a remote Kingdom, to be *capitally arraigned* for offences committed within that Colony. Agreeable to the [447.] Constitution of the Colonies, said Court in the exercise of such extravagant powers, are to be held in the same contempt and detestation, with a *Banditti of Slave Makers on the Coast of Affrica*. We therefore expect you make due enquiry into a Measure so truly alarming & protest against every exertion of lawless power, which threatens the ruin of the Colonies —

Harrassed and provoked by such repeated abuses of power, we

esteem it our indispensable duty to demand redress; to your Wisdom and your fortitude we commit ourselves not doubting you will readily pursue such measures as have a tendency to relieve us in the most *easy* and *effectual* manner; for this purpose we recommend to your most serious consideration whether an application to the English Colonies on this Continent correspondent to the plan proposed by our *noble patriotick* Sister Colony of Virginia (which in our opinion is a wise and salutary proposal) will not secure our threatened liberties, and restore that mutual harmony and confidence between the British Nation & the English Colonies, so important to both especially the *former*, which if rescinded from her Connections with *this Continent*, must naturally fall a prey to her numerous & Jealous Neighbours. We have likewise the most sanguine expectations that a *Union of Councils and Conduct* among the *Colonies* will assuredly by the smiles of Heaven fix our Rights on such a solid basis, as may intimidate our implacable Enemies from any further attempts to invade them —

The foregoing Report having been read & considered & the Question put — Whether the same shall be accepted & [448.] Be the Instructions to our Representatives — It was Voted, unani- mously that said Report be accepted, and printed in the several News Papers —

The Petition of a number of Inhabitants “That Kilby Street leading out of King Street, may be paved” — was read and considered, and the Question put Whether the Town will pay One third part of the Charges whenever the Abutters are ready to pay the other two third part of the expence of paving said Street — Passed in the Affirmative —

The Petition of a Number of Inhabitants, “that some proper methods may be devised and executed for paving, or otherwise effectually raising & repairing South Street, was read and considered, whereupon Voted, that said Petition be dismiss'd —

The Petition of John Erving Esq. & others, “That the Street known by the Name of Pleasant Street may be accepted of, and Recorded as a Town Street, the present Abutters consenting thereto, “ was read and considered — And the Question put — Whether the prayer of the Petition shall be granted, and said Street accepted as a Town Street, and Recorded by the Name of Pleasant Street — Passed in the Affirmative —

The Petition of M^r. Samuel Holbrook Writing Master of the South School, which was referred over to this Meeting for consideration was read; and after some debate it was Voted, that the same shall be considered at the Adjournment —

[449.] Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Tuesday next 8. O'Clock P: M: and the Meeting was accordingly Ad- journed —

Tuesday May 11 8. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjourn- ment —

The Committee appointed to examine the Accompts of M^r. David Jeffries Town Treasurer, have attended that service and find the same right cast, and well vouched in which he Charges

self with sundry Fines Rents and other Incomes of the Town ; also with the Tax of £6500 — all of which amounts to the sum 3299 ,, 5 ,, 0½ including the balance of Old Account —

and the said Treasurer discharges himself by sundry Abate-
ments made the Collectors amounting to £1045 ,, 13 ,, 7 ,, by
payments made by the Selectmen amounting to 2952 ,, 5 ,, 1½ of
which he has paid £2759 ,, 12 ,, 8½ — And by Drafts made by the
Officers of the Poor, which contain the Charges of the Alms-
house, amounting to £3355 ,, 5 ,, 11. of which he has paid
1000 ,, 8 ,, 1. Also by sundry Sums paid for Interest amounting
to 144 ,, 9 ,, 2, the whole amounting to £7797 ,, 13 ,, 9½ —

The said Committee have inspected said Drafts in a very par-
ticular manner, and have examined the Vouchers produced by the
Officers of the Poor for the amount of their Drafts, in a *very
particular manner* and every other branch of Public charge
amounting in all as above to Seven thousand & seven hundred
ninety seven Pounds thirteen Shillings, and nine Pence half
penny [450.] As by Account of Town Treasury in Town Treas-
urer's Books ; Balance whereof being £5501 ,, 11 ,, 3. is carried
to the Credit of New Account —

Which Report and Account being read, Voted, that the same
be and hereby is accepted —

Motion was made to refer the Grant of Moneys for Town
Officers to an Adjournment, and that Notifications be issued for
that purpose — And the Question being put — Passed in the
affirmative —

Resolved, that the Sum of Seven Thousand Pounds be raised by a
Poll upon Polls and Estates within this Town for Relief of the
Poor, and defraying other necessary Charges arising within the
Town in the ensuing Year —

Committee relative to Manufactory Company having Reported ;
Motion was made that the Report be accepted, and that the
said Company doing and coming within the scope of the
Act relating therewith with what is expressed in the Committees Report, shall be
charged by the Town from any demand the Town have upon
the Company ; but this Motion being withdrawn it was then moved and

Resolved, that the further Consideration of this affair be referred
to the Adjournment of this Meeting ; if there should be an
Adjournment ; otherwise to the next Town Meeting ; and that the
Committee be desired to make further enquiry, and Report as
they may be —

The Committee appointed to consider of some [451.] Proper
Regulations for the security of the Lamps that are to be Erected
in this Town, as also their Opinion of the fashion &c. beg leave to
report and recommend to the Town — That a Committee be
appointed to apply to the General Court as soon as may be for an
Act empowering the Town to Erect, support and defend the
Lamps, and to make such regulations as they shall think proper
for the same —

The Committee are of opinion that white Globe Lamps will
be a better light than Square ones, being cheaper in the first cost,
and giving a better light, and less liable to be out of order

As there is no doubt the General Court will readily comply with our reasonable request in making such Laws as shall be necessary, therefore recommend that the Committee appointed to Collect the Money subscribed by the Inhabitants be desired to compleat the same as soon as may be & deposite the same in the Town Treasury, ready for the order of the Committee, that may be appointed to purchase the Lamps and Erect them. If the Money should be Collected soon its supposed the Lamps may be light next Fall —

As the proper placing the Lamps is of great importance for the convenience and elegance of the Town, it is recommended that two Persons dwelling in each Ward be chosen to attend the Committee when about to fix upon the place of such Lamp — All which is submitted by order of the Committee

JOHN ROWE Chairman

The foregoing Report having been read & considered, the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative —

It was then Voted, that The Representatives of the Town be a Committee to apply to the General Court as soon as may be for an Act empowering the Town to Erect support & defend the Lamps agreed upon, & for such other Regulations as they may think proper — Also —

[452.] Voted, that the following Persons - - Viz^t

	Wards
M ^r . Edward Payne - - - -	Deacon Jonathan Brown - - 1
Newman Grenough Esq. - -	Cap ^t . Fortesque Vernon - - 2
M ^r . John Leach - - - -	John Tudor Esq. - - - - 3
M ^r . Paul Reveire - - - -	Cap ^t . Edward Procter - - 4
Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq. - -	M ^r . Thomas Hutchinson Jr. - 5
John Barret Esq. - - - -	Cap ^t . John Bradford - - - 6
Cap ^t . John Homer - - - -	Cap ^t . Job Prince - - - - 7
Joseph Jackson Esq. - - -	William Cooper - - - - 8
Daniel Hubbard Esq. - - -	John Amory - - - - 9
M ^r . Daniel Waldo - - - -	Maj ^r . Adino Paddock - - - 10
Deacon Benj. Church - - -	M ^r . John Sweetser - - - 11
Deacon Caleb Davis - - -	M ^r . Thomas Amory - - - 12

Be appointed and desired to attend the Committee on Lamps when about to fix upon the Places for Erecting said Lamps —

It was further Voted, that John Rowe Esq. and others the Committee on Lamps who have made the foregoing Report be desired to purchase the number of Lamps Voted by the Town, and to Erect them in suitable Places —

Upon a Motion made and Voted, that

Thomas Daws Esq.

Thomas Gray Esq.

be added to the Committee for purchasing Lamps &° — also —

Voted, that Ezekial Goldthwait Esq.

John Adams Esq.

Samuel Quincy Esq.

be a Committee to make draught of a Bill for regulating Lamps &°. which draft they are desired to hand into the Representatives of this Town as soon as possible —

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition [453.] Of a number of the Inhabitants "that Sea Street may be thoroughly repaired," Report— That they have attended that service and upon searching the Records, find that on the 31. of October 1688 — the Town laid out the Street within mentioned of fifty feet in wedth, and at the same time granted, all the Flatts and Lands below said High Way into the Sea, unto the Proprietors of the Lands, who were Abutters on said Way in an equal proportion to their several fronts on said Ways; always provided that said Proprietors & Abutters maintain in good Repair the said Way at their proper cast and charge — The Committee also find that on 21. of May 1736. on the Petition of the Proprietors and Inhabitants of Land in said Sea Street, the Town then reduced the wedth of said Street from fifty feet as it was originally laid out, to thirty five Feet the present wedth thereof, but upon this Condition that the same Street be kept and maintained in good Repair, open free and unincumbered at the proper cost and charge of the Proprietors and Abutters on said Street for the use of the Town forever — By this reduction of the wedth of the Street, the Proprietors of the Lands there had a great addition made to the value of their Estates, and are therefore under a double obligation (as the Committee apprehend) to keep and maintain the same in good Repair at their own cost and charge, and upon their default herein, All the Lands and Flatts below said Street of thirty five Feet in wedth, must revert to the Town and as some parts of it are much out of repair, the Town will take such steps thereupon as may be Judged necessary

In the Name of the Committee

EZEKIAL GOLDTHWAIT —

The foregoing Report having been read and debate had thereon, the Question was put — "Whether the Town will accept of said Report — Passed in the Affermative —"

[454.] A Motion made that the Selectmen be directed to apply to proper Persons for the Repairs of Sea Street which are now in such a condition as to be liable to a presentment, and that they dispose of so much of the forfeited Flatts &c. as shall be sufficient to defrey the charge of Repairs &c. — but the Question not being put It was Voted, that the further consideration of the methods to be taken with the delinquent Abutters for the putting said Street in good Repair be referred to the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Fryday the 14. Instant 3. O'Clock P: M: And the Meeting was accordingly Adjourned —

Friday 14. of May 3. O'Clock P: M: Met according to Adjournment —

M^r. Samuel Adams the Moderator of this Meeting having acquainted the Town in writing, that he was prevented by indisposition of Body from attending his duty at the Meeting, the Town proceeded to the choice of another Moderator, and the Votes being brought in and sorted, it appeared, that William Phillips Esq. was chosen —

Voted, that the Selectmen be and they hereby are appointed to act upon the List of Jurors

The Committee appointed "to view the Neck and consider of the best method to secure the same, as also of the Sum which will be necessary for this purpose" — Report —

[455.] That having viewed the Premises, and considered what Repairs are necessary, and what would be the cost thereof, Your Committee are of Opinion, that to repair the breach made on the East side of the Neck in a proper & effectual manner, would occasion a very great Expence, while the advantages arising from it will be but trifling; and although it continues in its present state, it is, probable that very little of the Land will be diminished; As to the damage which may be done to the payment, by any extraordinary high Tides a Trifling Expence may from time to time repair the same, untill the Circumstances of the Town will better allow of, a thorough Repair to the Dam &c.

With respect to the West side of the Neck we think it necessary in order to prevent the Land from being washed away and the Pavement greatly injured, that there be a Stone Wall laid to extend about 40 or 50 Rod from the Stone Wall now at the West side close along by the Towns Lands which will be a sufficient security to the Land and pavement on that side the Neck, the Expence whereof may be about One hundred Pounds lawful Money, — In behalf of the Committee —

JOHN SCOLLAY Chairman

The foregoing Report having been read, and debate had thereon, the Question was put — "Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Negative —

It was then moved and seconded, that the Selectmen be desired to make such Repairs for the security of that part of the Neck proposed in said Report to be secured as to them may appear absolutely necessary, provided the Expence does not exceed, Fifty Pounds lawful Money —

The foregoing Motion was withdrawn, and a Motion made to reconsider the Vote for not accepting the Report of [456.] The Committee on Boston Neck, whereupon it was Voted that the same be Re-considered, and that the Report of said Committee be accepted, and the Gentlemen the Selectmen desired to carry said Report into execution —

The Committee appointed "to examine the Books of the late Linnen Manufactory Company so called, they consenting thereto; and to ascertain the amount of Stock in their hands, when the Company discontinued the Manufactory, and also to take an account of the Utensils then in their possession and the value of the same" — Reported, That after the best enquiry they have been able to make they cannot find the same Companys Books, and therefore cannot ascertain the facts as directed by the Town, excepting from a Memorandum taken from the Books formerly by Mr. Edward Payne which is now offered to the Town —

The Committee beg leave to inform the Town that there are in the hands and at the disposal of the Survivors of said Company two Stocking Looms, one Cauldron, and some Worsted Combs be-

les other Utensils said to be in the hands of M^r. John Brown, listed as follows Viz^t.

2 Stocking Looms - - - - -	£20 —
a Cauldron - - - - -	8 —
Worsted Combs 2 pair - - - - -	2 —
	— £80
Balance in the hands of	}
the Managers - - - - -	
	89 ,, 5 ,, 6½
	£ 119 ,, 5 ,, 6½

ndry other Articles of a considerable value belonging to the Manufactory, which the Managers will do all in their power to put Town in possession of —

The foregoing Report having been read & considered [457.] the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted — passed in the Affirmative —

It was also Voted, That upon Andrew Oliver, Thomas Hubbard Sylvester Gardner Esq^r. the only surviving Persons that signed Note for the Sum of £1291 ,, 10 ,, 6, other Governments Money Bills of the Old Tenor, lent by the Town the 10th. of May 53 — paying the Sum of Money mentioned in the Right of the Linnen Manufactory Company in & to all the Utensils that remain or any ways belong to said Persons for the sole use and benefit of the Town, and also that they will assist the Town in procuring said Utensils or the value thereof to the utmost of their power, in such case the Treasurer is hereby directed upon receiving said Moneys and Assignments to deliver to them the same aforesaid, the Town accepting the same as a full discharge thereof —

Upon a Motion made and seconded, the following Resolve passed — *Nem Cont.*

Whereas it has been Reported that certain Persons Justly obnoxious to this Town and Province are to be invited to Dine with the Governor and Council on the ensuing Anniversary Election^d Day in this Hall; Be it *Resolved* and an *Instruction* to the Gentlemen the Selectmen, that if a Committee of his Majestys Council shall apply to them for the use of this Hall, to dine with them, they consent upon these express Conditions, that neither the Commissioners of the Customs and their Attendants, nor Officers of the Army & Navy, Stationed here for the purpose of enforcing unconstitutional Acts of Parliament by Military Execution, be invited — it being utterly against the inclination of the Town, that even one Person who has rendered himself enemical to the Rights of [458.] America should be admitted into the Hall upon such an Occasion —

It was Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be directed to sit upon the Chairman of the Committee of Council, and leave with him a Copy of said Vote —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, that M^r. William Collineux be asked by the Treasurer for the Monys due from him to the Town —

Voted, that the Sum of One Hundred & twenty Pounds, be

allowed and paid unto M^r. John Lovel, for his Salary as Master of the South Grammar School, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted that the Sum of One Hundred & twenty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt for his Salary as Master of the North Grammar School, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Procter for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook for his Salary as Master of the Writing School in the Common for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall [459.] become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Tileston, for his Salary as Master of the Writing School at the North End for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Sixty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Lovel, for his Salary as Usher of the South Grammar School, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the further Sum of Forty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Lovel, as an encouragement for him to remain and exert himself in the service of the Town the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him Quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Carter for his Salary as Usher of the Writing School in Queen Street the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that a further Sum of Twenty five Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. James Carter above his Salary as Usher of the Writing School in Queen Street, as an encouragement for him to exert himself in the service of the Town the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

[460.] Voted, that the Sum of Fifty Pounds be allowed and paid to such Person as the Selectmen shall appoint an Assistant for the Master of the Writing School in the Common the Year ensuing the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of Thirty four Pounds be allowed and paid unto M^r. John Tileston Master of the North Writing School, for

providing an Assistant the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, and to commence at the expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury unto M^r. David Jeffries for his services as Treasurer of the Town the Year past, and for all his Expences in that office.

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is directed and empowered to allow the several Schoolmasters Interest on the Sums due to them, from the dates of their Warrants to the time of payment —

Upon a Motion made and seconded Voted, That the Assessors be directed, that as soon as they receive the Warrant from the Province and County Treasurers they set about and compleat the Tax upon the Inhabitants

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to Major Thomas Daws for his good and faithful services as a Fire Ward for several Years past —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the [461.] Representatives of the Town be and they hereby are Instructed to move the Hon^{ble}. the House of Representatives immediately after the next General Election of Councillors that the Representatives of all the Towns in this Province do recommend it to the severa lTowns which they Represent. To Assess a Sum of Money upon the Inhabitants of the Town sufficient for the payment of their proportion of the cost and charge of an Agent or Agents which are or may be employed in the service of the Province —

Upon a Motion made, Ordered that the Vote lately passed respecting the Commissioners &c. be printed in the several public News Papers —

The Petitions of M^r. Samuel Holbrook and M^r Fenno, were read, and after debate had thereon, it was Voted, that they have leave to withdraw said Petitions

Voted, that all Matters and Things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the next General Town Meeting, to be then considered of and acted upon —

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town, be and hereby are given to M^r Samuel Adams and William Phillips Esq. who have both acted as Moderators for their good services at this Meeting —

Then the Meeting was dissolved

[462.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and legally warned in publick Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Fryday the 5th. Day of November Anno Domini 1773. at 10 O'Clock A : M :

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read —

The Town were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, and upon sorting them it appear'd that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen —

The Petition of a largenumber of the Inhabitants setting forth —
“That they are Justly alarmed at the Report that the East India

Company in London are about shipping a Cargo or Cargos of Tea into this and the other Colonies, and that they esteem it a political plan of the British Administration whereby they have reason to fear not only that the trade upon which they depend for a subsistence is threatened to be totally destroyed; but what is much more than anything in life to be dreaded, the Tribute laid upon the importation of that Article will be fixed and established, and our liberties for which we have long struggled, will be lost to them and their Posterity; and therefore praying that the sense of the matter may be taken, and such steps pursued as to their safety and well being shall appertain" was read and debate had thereon —

A number of printed Hand Bills, called "*The Tradesmens Protest against the Proceedings of the Merchants relative to the new Importations of Tea*" [463.] Having been seen to be distributed in the Hall a Motion was made that one of said Papers be read to the Inhabitants, and said Hand Bill having been accordingly read one of the Inhabitants openly declared that he saw *Charles Paxton* one of the Commissioners of the Customs, giving them away the Day before in Kings Street — It was then moved that the Tradesmen present might collect by themselves on the South side of the Hall, that their Sense of the Paper might be taken. —

Then the Question was put to those Tradesmen "Whether they acknowledge the said paper called, "*The Tradesmens Protest*" which passed in the Negative, unanimously — there being in the estimation of the Town at least four hundred Tradesmen present in the Meeting

A Motion was then made and the Question accordingly put to those Tradesmen — Whether they do now detest as false scandalous, and base the said Paper & the Person known to have distributed it — Viz^t. *Charles Paxton* and all others who have distributed the same, and the Printer thereof. Viz^t. *E. Russell* — which passed in the Affirmative, unanimously —

The Town entered again into the consideration of the subject matter of the Warrant, and debated largely on the nature and tendency of the Project for introducing Tea into the Colonies to be disposed of by Commissioners appointed by the East India Company —

It was then moved that if any Gentlemen in Trade present or any other Inhabitant had anything to offer shewing that the introduction of Tea in the manner projected would not be detrimental to the Interest of the People in general as well as to the Mercantile & Trading part of the Colonies; that they would now do it, & what they offered should be treated with candor [464.] But no one Inhabitant did offer anything in favor of said Project —

After due deliberation the Town came into the following Resolutions *Nem Cont* — Viz^t.

Whereas it appears by an Act of the British Parliament passed in the last Sessions, that the East India Company are by the said Act allowed to export their Teas into America, in such Quantities as the Lord of the Treasury shall Judge proper: And some People with an evil intent to amuse the People, and others thro': inattention to the true design of the Act, have so construed the same, as

that the **TRIBUTE** of three Pence on every Pound of Tea is not to be enacted by the detestable Task Masters there — Upon the due consideration thereof, *Resolved*, That the Sense of the Town cannot be better expressed on this Occasion, than in the words of certain Judicious Resolves lately entered into by our worthy Brethren the Citizens of Philadelphia — wherefore

Resolved, that the disposal of their own property is the Inherent Right of Freemen; that there can be no property in that which another can of right take from us without our consent; that the Claim of Parliament to tax America, is in other words a claim of Right to buy Contributions on us at pleasure —

2^d. That the Duty imposed by Parliament upon Tea landed in America, is a tax on the Americans, or levying Contributions on them without their consent —

3^d. That the express purpose for which the Tax is levied on the Americans, namely for the support of Government, the Administration of Justice, and the defence of His Majestys Dominions in America, has a direct tendency to render Assemblies useless, and to introduce Arbitrary Government and Slavery —

[465.] 4th. That a virtuous and steady opposition to the Ministerial Plan of governing America, is absolutely necessary to preserve even the shadow of Liberty, and is a duty which every Freeman in America owes to his Country to himself and to his Posterity —

5th. That the Resolutions lately come by the East India Company, to send out their Teas to America Subject to the payment of Duties on its being landed here, is an open attempt to enforce the Ministerial Plan, and a violent attack upon the Liberties of America —

6th. That it is the Duty of every American to oppose this attempt —

7th. That whoever shall directly or indirectly countenance this attempt, or in any wise aid or abet in unloading receiving or vending the Tea sent or to be sent out by the East India Company while it remains subject to the payment of a duty here is an Enemy to America —

8th. That a Committee be immediately chosen to wait on those Gentlemen, who it is reported are appointed by the East India Company to receive and sell said Tea, and to request them from a regard to their own characters and the peace and good order of this Town and Province immediately to resign their appointment — And the following Gentlemen — Viz^t.

The Moderator

M^r Henderson Inches

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

and the Selectmen of the Town are appointed a Committee accordingly —

At the same time the Town passed the following Resolve — Viz^t. —

[466.] Whereas, the Merchants of this Continent did enter into an Agreement to withhold the importation of Tea until the Duty

laid thereon should be repealed; which Agreement as we are informed has been punctually observed by the respectable Merchants in the Southern Colonies, while by reason of the peculiar circumstances attending the trade of this Place some quantities tho very small in proportion to what had been usual before said Agreement have been imported by some of the Merchants here; And whereas it now appears probable to this Town, that the British Administration have taken encouragement even from such small Importations, to grant Licenses to the East India Company as aforesaid — Therefore *Resolved*, That it is the determination of this Town, by all means in their power to prevent the Sales of the Tea imported by the East India Company: And as the Merchants here have generally opposed the Measure, it is the Just expectation of the Inhabitants of this Town, that no one of them will on any pretence whatever, import any Tea that shall be liable to pay the duty, from this time; and untill the Act imposing the same shall be repealed —

Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned 'till 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon —

3 O'Clock. P: M: Town met according to adjournment —

The Committee appointed for the purpose Reported to the Town — That they had waited on Richard Clark Esq. and Sons, and Benjamin Faneuil Esq. said to be Factors of the East India Company, and communicated to them the Vote of the Town whereby they were requested immediately to [467.] Resign their appointment. And the said Gentlemen informed the Committee that as Messieurs Thomas and Elisha Hutchinson (who were also Reported to be Factors to the said Company) were at Milton, and not expected in Town till Saturday Evening, and as they chose to consult them, they could not return an answer to the Town, till Monday Morning —

It was then moved and Voted, unanimously, that

M^r. Samuel Adams.

M^r. William Mollineux

D^r. Joseph Warren

be a Committee to repair unto Mess^{rs}. Clark Faneuil & Winslow those of the Tea Consignees said to be in Town, and acquaint them that as they were not Joint Factors for the East India Company with the Hutchinsons, it was supposed they could determine for themselves, and therefore it was the expectation of the Town, that they return an immediate answer to the Message

The Committee appointed to repair to the Tea Consignees in Town — Reported, that an answer might be expected from them in half an hour — they also informed that M^r. Winslow was not in Town —

A Motion was then made “ that a Committee be appointed to repair to Milton and acquaint Mess^{rs} Thomas & Elisha Hutchinson, with the request of the Town, that they immediately resign their appointment — And the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. M^r. John Pitts M^r. Samuel Adams D^r. Joseph Warren, M^r. William Powell & M^r. Nathaniel Appleton, were appointed a Committee for that purpose —

. Mr. Ezekiel Russell came into Town Meeting, & asked leave to speak — He then acquainted the Town that he was the Printer of the Paper called the Tradesmen's Protest against the Merchants, & that he was paid for the same by the Person who [468.] Employed him, — this Information was not given at the desire of the Town; it being their sense, that as a Town they had nothing to do with the Printer or Author of the said Paper —

A Motion was made that Mr. Barrett who attends upon the Selectmen might be directed to acquaint Mess^{rs}. Clarke and Faneuil, that the Town were impatiently waiting for an answer to their last Message —

Before Mr. Barrett could proceed a Letter was brought into the Hall, signed by Richard Clark & Son, & Benjamin Faneuil for himself and Joshua Winslow, and directed to the Moderator to be communicated to the Town — Viz^t. —

Boston November 5. 1773

Sir

It is impossible for us to comply with the request of the Town, signified to us this Day by their Committee, as we know not what terms the Teas if any part of it should be sent to our care, will come out on, and what obligations either of a moral or pecuniary nature we may be under to fulfill the trust that may be devolved on us. When we are acquainted with these Circumstances we shall be better qualified to give a definitive answer to the request of the Town —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Serv^t

RICHARD CLARK & SONS
BENJAMIN FANEUIL JUN^r. for
himself & JOSE^{ph}. WINSLOW —

To

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Moderator of a Town Meeting
Assembled at Faneuil Hall —

This Letter was read, and a Motion then made and the Question accordingly put — “ Whether the same be satisfactory to the Town — Passed in the Negative Nemini Contradicente

[469.] The Meeting was then Adjourned “ till the next Day at 11. O'Clock to receive the Report of the Committee appointed to wait on Mess^{rs}. Hutchinsons —

Saturday 11. O'Clock A : M : The Town met by Adjournment (the Meeting still continuing very full)

The Committee appointed to wait upon the Mess^{rs}. Hutchinsons at Milton — Reported — That they had enquired the last Evening and this Morning at the House of Elish Hutchinson Esq. in this Town, and were informed that those Gentlemen were at Milton; the Committee proceeded this Morning to Milton and calling at the Governors Seat were informed that only Mr. Elish Hutchinson lodged there the last Night, who had set out early this Morning for Boston; on their return they called at his House, and were told

that he had been at home this Morning but had again set off for Milton — they then went to the House of Thomas Hutchinson Esq. who was then at home, where they read and delivered to him an attested Copy of the Towns Vote, when he acquainted the Committee, that the Town might expect his answer in one quarter of an Hour —

The following Letter was soon after sent into the Moderator, signed Thomas Hutchinson, which was read, viz^t.

Sir

I have nothing relative to the Teas referred to in the request or Vote of the Town, except that one of my Friends has signified to me by Letter, that part of it he had reason to believe would be Consigned to me and my Brother Jointly, but upon what terms he could not then say —

Under these circumstances I can give no other answer to the Town, at present, then that if the Teas should arrive & we should be appointed Factors, we shall then be sufficiently informed to answer the request of the Town — I am for my Brother & self

Sir Your humble Servant

Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Moderator of a Town Meet^g.
now Assembled at Fanueil Hall —

T. HUTCHINSON JUN^r.

[470.] This Letter being read a Motion was made and the Question accordingly put — “Whether the same be satisfactory to the Town” — which passed in the Negative *Neminis Contradicente* —

A Motion was then made that the Question be put — “Whether it is not the Sense of the Town, that the Letter signed Richard Clark & Son, Benjamin Fanueil for self & Joshua Winslow, and also the Letter signed Thomas Hutchinson, for himself & Brother, which had been both read, were not *Daringly Affrontive* to the Town” — And the Question being accordingly put — It passed in the Affermative, *Nem. Con.*

Upon a Motion made it was Voted, That the Committee of Correspondence for this Town, be and they hereby are directed to transmit the Transactions of this Meeting to every Town in the Province —

A Motion was then made, that the Thanks of the Town be given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting for the dispatch he has given to the Business thereof — but the Motion was objected to by himself and M^r. Adams, and it seemed to be the sense of the Town, that a Vote of Thanks should be only given upon very special and signal services performed for the Publick —

The Town having gone through the Business mentioned in the Notification, it was moved that this Meeting be immediately dissolved — And the Meeting was dissolved accordingly —

[471.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned in publick

Town Meeting Assembled at Faneuil Hall on Thursday the 18th.
Day of November Anno Domini 1774 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - read —

The Inhabitants were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for a Moderator, of this Meeting, & the same being brought in and sorted, it appeared, that

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

was chosen Moderator of the Meeting by a unanimous Vote

The Petition of a Number of Inhabitants setting forth — That whereas at the late Meeting of the Town their Committee applied to Mess^{rs}: Richard Clarke as supposed Consignees of Teas to be exported by the East India Company to this Port, who then declined giving satisfaction to the Town who requested their resignation of said Commission, assigning for reason that they were not sufficiently informed upon what terms the Teas would come out on — the Town being now Justly & highly alarmed with the hourly expectation of the arrival of said Teas; and apprehending that said Consignees are now thoroughly apprised of the Conditions upon which the India Company are exporting this detestable Commodity into America; Request that the Town may as soon as possible be called together to consult whether further application shall be made to said Consignees or otherwise to act as the Town shall think proper on the present dangerous and alarming exigence." was read and duly considered —

[472.] Upon a Motion made Voted, That a Committee be appointed upon the Tea Consignees again and let them know that when they were last waited upon by a Committee of the Town, they informed the Town that they could not then give a direct answer to the Town, not having received any certain advice relative to the Teas — but as it is now supposed by the Town that since the arrival of Cap^t. Scott they are informed relative thereto; therefore the Town now request an immediate and direct answer — Whether they would Resign their Appointments as Tea Consignees — also

Voted that John Scollay Esq.

Coll^o. Thomas Marshall

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

M^r. Samuel Adams

Jonathan Williams Esq.

M^r. William Whitwell

be and hereby are appointed a Committee for the purpose —

The foregoing Committee Reported — That they had in pursuance of the Order of the Town waited upon the Tea Consignees, whom they found at the Province House and delivered the Message and also left with them an Attested Copy of the Town Vote; that those Gentleman then desired them to inform the Town, that as it was then near One — O'Clock, they could not give an immediate answer, but that the Town might expect one by 3 O'Clock

Upon a Motion made Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to 8. O'Clock P: M: —

[473.] 3 O'Clock P: M: The Town met according to Adjournment —

The following Letter from the Tea Consignees was this Afternoon upon the first opening of the Meeting, handed in to the Moderator —

Boston Novem^r. 18. 1774

Sir

In answer to the Message we have this Day received from the Town, we beg leave to say, that we have not yet received any Orders from the East India Company, respecting the expected Teas, but we are now further acquainted that our Friends in England have entered into penal engagements in our behalf, meerly of a Commercial nature; which puts it out of our power to comply with the request of the Town —

We are

Sir

Your most humble Servants

RICHARD CLARK & SONS,
BENJ^A. FANEUIL JUN^r. for Self
& JOSHUA WINSLOW Esq.
ELISHA HUTCHINSON for my
Brother and Self —

Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Moderator of a Town Meeting
Assembled at Faneuil Hall —

This Letter was read, and a Motion then made & the Question accordingly put— “Whether the same be satisfactory to the Town — Passed in the Negative *Nem^o Cont.*”

A Motion made that this Meeting be immediately dissolved — And the Meeting was accordingly dissolved

[474.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall on Saturday the 5th Day of March Anno Domini 1774

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read

Mr. Samuel Adams was chosen Moderator of this Meeting by a written Vote —

The Committee appointed by the Town the 5th of March last, to apply to a proper Gentleman, to deliver an Oration the 5th of March instant, to perpetuate the Memory of the Horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the Fifth of March 1770 by a Party of Soldiers, under the Order and Eye of Captain Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment — Reported —

“That having met together several Times for the Purpose mentioned in the Town's Vote they had unanimously made Choice of the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq^r. to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March instant, who had accordingly accepted of that Service.”

The above Report having been read by Dr. Warren Chairman of the Committee, the question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the affirmative unanimously —

Upon a Motion made, the Town took into Consideration, what would be the best Time to have the Oration pronounced, as also what Place would be most suitable for the Purpose — Whereupon —

Voted, That the Oration be delivered at Twelve O'Clock, at the Old South Meeting House, the Hall not being capacious enough to receive the Inhabitants [475.] That attend upon the Occasion; the Committee of that Society having upon Application, consented that the Meeting-House should be made Use of for this Service.

Voted, That D^r. Joseph Warren

John Scollay Esq^r.

Jonathan Williams Esq^r.

be a Committee to wait upon the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq^r. and acquaint him, That it is the Desire of the Town, that the Oration may be delivered at the Old South Meeting House, at Twelve O'Clock, this Forenoon —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to the Old South Meeting House, 12 O'Clock —

The Town met according to Adjournment at the Old South Meeting House, 12 O'Clock —

The Com^{ms} appointed to wait upon Col^l. Hancock to acquaint him with the Vote of the Town respecting the Time and Place for delivering of an Oration —

Reported that said Gentlemen was ready to comply with the Orders of the Town made known to him by their Committee

An Oration to commemorate the Horrid Massacre of the Fifth of March 1770, and to impress the Minds of the Citizens with the ruinous Tendency of Standing Armies, being placed in free & populous Cities &^c was delivered by the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq^r. to a large and crowded Audience and received by them with great Applause. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded,

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. for the elegant and spirited Oration deliver'd by him at their Request, in Commemoration of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770 by a Party of Soldiers of [476.] The 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Captain Thomas Preston — Also

Voted, that M^r. Samuel Adams Moderator

D^r. Joseph Warren

William Phillips Esq^r.

D^r. Benjamin Church

John Adams Esq^r.

M^r. William Mollineux

Samuel Pemberton Esq^r.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to wait upon Col^l. Hancock & in the Name of the Town to require of him a Copy of the said Oration for the Press —

Upon a Motion made & seconded,

Voted that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq^r.

M^r. Samuel Adams Moderator

D^r. Joseph Warren

M^r. John Brown
 Samuel Pemberton Esq^r.
 John Adams Esq^r.
 D^r. Benjamin Church
 M^r. John Pitts
 John Scollay Esq^r.

be and hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the fifth of March next to perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770 by a Party of Soldiers of the 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Capt. Thomas Preston. — And to impress upon our Minds the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities in a Time of Peace : And the Necessity of such noble Exertions in all future Times, as [477.] The Inhabitants of the Town then made whereby the Designs of the Conspirators against the Public Liberty may be still frustrated. —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that there be a Collection made in this Meeting, for M^r. Christopher Monk, a young Man now languishing under a Wound receiv'd in his Lungs, by a Shot from Preston's Bloody Party of Soldiers on 5th. March 1770. —

A Collection for M^r. Monk was made accordingly, which amounted to the Sum of Three Hundred and Nineteen Pounds 13/3 old Tenor, & the same by Order of the Town, was lodged with the Select Men for the Use of the said Monk.

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to M^r. Samuel Adams, Moderator of the Meeting for his good Service.

Then the Meeting was dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting, assembled at Faneuil Hall on Monday 14th. day of March 1774 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Eliot

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read.

Sundry Laws enjoined to be read at the Meeting were accordingly read, —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, but by Indisposition prevented giving his Attendance — The Town then brought in their Votes for another Moderator, & upon Sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble}. [478.] Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen. —

M^r. William Cooper was chosen Town-Clerk for the Year ensuing, & took the Oath of Office for the faithful Discharge of his Duty, which Oath was administred to him by M^r. Justice Hill.

The Town proceeded to the Choice of Seven Selectmen, & the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared that

John Scollay Esq.
 Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Timothy Newell
 Col. Thomas Marshall

M^r. Samuel Austin
 M^r. Oliver Wendell
 M^r. John Pitts

chosen Select Men for the Year ensuing —
 The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Overseers of the
 , & upon sorting them it appeared that

John Barrett Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 M^r. Benj^s. Dolbear
 M^r. Will^m Whitwell
 M^r. Will^m. Greenleaf
 W^m White Esq.
 John Leverett Esq.
 John Gore Esq.
 Cap^t. Samuel Partridge
 M^r. Samuel Whitwell
 M^r. Samuel Abbot
 M^r. Daniel Waldo

chosen Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing —
 The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Wardens, and
 sorting them it appeared, that

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Francis Green Esq.
 M^r. Ebenezer Sever
 M^r. Thomas Crafts (excused)
 Cap^t. Samuel Doggett
 M^r. John Amory (excused)
 M^r. Ebenezer Hancock
 M^r. Joseph Callender (excused)
 M^r. Thomas Kimble
 M^r. John Clough (excused)
 M^r. George Bright
 M^r. William McNeil
 M^r. William Daws Jun^r. (excused)

chosen Wardens for the Year ensuing — see page
 The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire-Wards, and
 sorting them it appeared, that

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Greenough Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 Col. Thomas Marshall
 M^r. Joseph Tyler
 Major Adino Paddock
 Cap^t. Benjamin Waldo
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 Cap^t. Martin Gay
 Francis Shaw Esq.
 Capt. Job Prince
 Capt. Edward Procter
 M^r. John Coffin
 Capt. John Pulling
 Deacon Caleb Davis

chosen Fire-Wards for the Year ensuing —

The Inhabitants bro't in their Votes for a Town Treasurer, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

[480.] M^r. David Jeffries
was chosen Town Treasurer for the Year ensuing —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Choice of a County-Treasurer be referr'd to 4 O'Clock P. M. and the Choice of Constables to 3 O'Clock P. M.

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon

3 O'Clock P. M. Town met according to Adjournment.

Upon a Motion made and seconded, the Question was put— Whether Collectors of Taxes should be chosen, seperate from Constables — Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pounds Fine to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing, and shall decline serving. —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Twelve Constables ; The Persons chose into that Office are

Mess^{rs}. Augustus Hail
Stephen Symmes
John Bennet
George Thomas
Thomas Bell
Joseph Joye
John Coverly
William Told
John Hammatt
Samuel Greanleaf
Matthew Nazro
John Wells

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in, and being sealed up in Town Meeting, were delivered to M^r. Constable Bennet, for him to return to the Court of Sessions, at their next Meeting

[481.] Mess^{rs} Richard Billings

Andrew Brimmer
Samuel Parkman
Thomas Melvil
Joshua Blanchard jun^r.
John Barrett jun^r.
Benjamin Hammett jun^r.
Duncan Ingraham jun^r
John Coffin Jones
James Swan - - - - - excused
David Sears - - - - - excused
Daniel Bill

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing — see Page 24th.

Voted, that the Sum of Twelve Pence on the Pound be & hereby is allowed to such Persons, as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall collect, provided they pay into the several Treasuries the whole Sum committed to them to collect, on or before the Tenth Day of August

1774 — Eight Pence on the Pound on all such other Sums as they shall have so paid into said Treasuries, on or before the 20th. Day of December 1774 — And Four Pence on the Pound upon the Remainder of the Sums they shall be obliged to collect, provided such Remainder shall be fully paid in, on or before the Second Monday in March 1775 — This Premium, as above expressed to be just & equitable, & an ample Allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to discharge their Duty with Diligence & Fidelity; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with sufficient Sureties to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen, for the faithful Discharge of their Duty in said Office; and complying with this Vote. —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Four Collectors of Taxes, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

Mess^{rs}. Edward Hollyday
Abraham Savage
Benjamin Henderson
Benjamin Gray — were chose

Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing. —

Voted, that the Assessors be, & hereby are impowered to set for Abatement of such Taxes, as they shall judge reasonable, on every Wednesday untill the last Wednesday in April inclusive, & no longer, save that they be allowed to set the Two last Weeks in November. for the Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons, as had not an Opportunity of applying in the above limited Time, by reason of their being out of the Province, at which Time also they are allowed & impowered, to abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April & last Day of November. —

sent

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assesors, & upon sorting them it appear'd that —

M^r. Benjamin Church
M^r. Daniel Parker
Deacon Jonathan Brown
Gyles Harris Esq.
Capt. Samuel Downe
M^r. William Lowder

were chose Assessors for the Year ensuing —

see page 26.

M^r. John Gray
was chosen a Surveyor of Hemp for the Year ensuing

Mess^{rs}. William Nichols
Andrew Syms
Clement Collins
Henry Allen
Isanc Vergoose
John Grenough
Jacob Thayer
Joseph Edmunds
Richard Walker
John Champney

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John Bulfinch jun^r.
 Abraham Howard
 Joseph Butler
 Joseph Ayres
 Thomas Bayley
 Andrew Townsend
 Joseph Ballard
 John Holland
 John Rogers
 Edmund Ranger
 Thomas Uran
 Elisha Homes
 Obediah Low
 Benjamin Page
 Clement Collins jun^r.
 Donely Wing
 Henry Blaisdell
 Abraham Rogers
 Benjamin White

were chose Surveyors of Boards for the Year ensuing
 see Page 24

Mess^{rs}. John Joy
 Obadiah Low
 Samuel Dyer
 John Dyer
 William Crafts

were chose Fence-Viewers for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Bangs
 Joseph Clark
 Daniel Parks
 Benjamin Bass
 Thomas Noland

were chose Surveyors of Leather for the Year ensuing

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Edes
 Adam Colson

were chose Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing.—

[484.] Mess^{rs}. Peter Cotta.
 Menasseh Masters
 Joseph Dyer
 John Haskins
 David Spear
 Jonathan Jenkins
 Job Wheelwright
 Joshua Pico
 Benjamin Sault
 Paul Baxter
 John Owen
 Thomas Knox
 Samuel White
 Edward Cowell
 Peter Ellis (dead)
 Timothy Pease

Nathaniel Waterman
 Jacob Williams
 Samuel Barnard (dead)
 John Newell
 Henry Lucas
 Caleb Thayer
 James Beard
 Richard Flood
 William Rogers
 Samuel Peck

those Cullers of Staves for the Year ensuing. —

see Page 47.

ed, that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday Morning 9
 ck. —

uesday March 5th. 9 O'Clock A. M. Town met according to
 ument

Mess^{rs}. David Simons - - - - (excused)
 Benjamin Blake
 Elijah Searl

those Hog-greeves for the Year ensuing.

M^r. William M^cFadden

chosen a Hayward for the Year ensuing

35.] Upon a Motion make & seconded, Voted, that
 Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
 Benjamin Kent Esq.
 M^r. Alexander Hill

Comittee to look into the Law relative to Scavengers, and to
 ch Amendment, or Addition made to said Law, as they may
 necessary to enable those Officers to discharge their Duty in
 per Manner — sent

	Wards.
Mess ^{rs} . Josiah Vose - - - - -	N ^o . 1.
Joseph Snelling - - - - -	2 s
Caleb Champney - - - - -	3 s
Freeman Pulcifer - - - - -	4 s
John Lovel - - - - -	5
Joseph Loring - - - - -	6
Charles - - - - -	7
John Langdon - - - - -	8
Samuel Warden - - - - -	9 s
John Fullerton - - - - -	10
Thomas Chase - - - - -	11
Benjamin Wheeler - - - - -	12

those Scavengers for the Year ensuing. —

e Town brought in their Votes for Five Wardens in the Room
 ose who had been excused from serving, and upon sorting
 it appear'd, that

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Sellen
 John Cotton
 Samuel Bass

Cap^t. Nehemiah Tomes
Alexander Edwards (excused)

were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing. see Page 54.

The Town brought in their Votes for One Assessor, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Samuel Johnson
was chosen an Assessor for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. John White
John Lucas

were chose Surveyors of Wheat for the Year ensuing

[486.]

Col. Joseph Jackson
Col. John Leveret
M^r. John Sweetser

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, and they are desired & empower'd to give all needful Direction to the Keeper of the Granary, respecting the Quantity of Grain to be sold, & affixing the Price thereof from Time to Time, as Occasion shall require; And the said Comm^{ees} are desired & directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be granted at the new Mills, near the Mill-Bridge now occupied by M^r. George Leonard

Cap^t. Martin Gay
M^r. John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing

The Selectmen

chosen Surveyors of the High Ways for the Year ensuing

M^r. James Blake

was chosen a Surveyer of Boards for the ensuing Year.

M^r. Henry Prentice

was chosen a Clerk of the Market for the ensuing Year

The Selectmen reported on the Account of M^r. Benj^t. Fenno, Keeper of the Granary for the Year past, which Accompt is entered in his Books (and on File in the Town Clerk's Office) was read, whereupon it was Voted that the same be accepted, and that M^r. Fenno be accountable to the Town for 350 Bushells of Corn, & 26 Bushells of Rye, amounting to £67 ,, 15½. and also for the Sum of £104 ,, 18 ,, 8½ Cash now in his Hands exclusive of the Sum of £32 ,, 13 ,, 4 for his Salary & Attendance, as charged in this Account, which is hereby allowed him. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that —

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
M^r. William Whitwell
M^r. Alexander Hill
John Rowe Esq.
M^r. Edward Payne

[487.] Be, and hereby are appointed a Committee to examine into the State of the Granary, & report the same, as also their Opinion, whether it will be expedient for the Town to continue the same sent.

Voted, that the Consideration of School-Masters Salaries and all other Salaries & Grants, be referred over to next May Meeting. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, That the Town Treas-

urer be, & hereby is impowred & directed to borrow, on Interest, a Sum not exceeding Three Hundred Pounds Lawful Money, for the Use of the Overseers of the Poor, to purchase Grain &c. for the Alms-House. — sent

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Town-Treasurer be, & hereby is directed and impow'r'd to give his negotiable Notes upon Interest to such of the Overseers of the Poor as are in Advance for the Relief of the Poor, for such Sums as appear to be due to them respectively, upon the Auditing of their of their Accompts to the present Month — sent

Voted, that M^r. Edward Payne
M^r. Alexander Hill
M^r. Ezekiel Price
Major Thomas Daws
Capt. Samuel Bradford

Be, & they hereby are appointed a Committee to audit the Accompts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, & also the Accompts of the Overseers of the Poor, & the said Committee are impowred, when they shall Audit said Accompts, to allow such of the Overseers, as shall advance Money for the Relief of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums from the Time so advanced, till they shall have Audited said Accompts; and they are also desired to report from Time to Time a State of the Treasury, respecting the Debts & Credits, & on any Matter, that they may think proper. —

The Petition of M^r. Jacob Emmons,
“That an Allowance be made him for the extraordinary Damage he has sustained by taking down his Walls & Chimnies in Paddy Alley, after the late Fire, over & above what the Jury has assigned [488.] Him” was read, & after considerable Debate had thereon, The Question was put, Whether the Town will sustain the Petition. Passed in the Negative. —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock. P. M.

3 O'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment

The Petition of M^r. Thomas Walker, “for some Relief under the Charge occasioned him by the Wound his then Apprentice, Christopher Monk, received from Preston's Soldiers in the Massacre on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, was read & considered — whereupon it was moved that the Petition be dismissed, and it was accordingly dismissed. —

The Petition of Capt. Amassa Davis, “That a Peice of the Town's Flatts now improv'd by him, & situated between the Fortification Walls & the Land improv'd by M^r. Byles may be Leased to him for a Number of Years,” was read & consider'd — whereupon, Voted, That the same be accepted, & that the Selectmen be, & hereby are impow'r'd, to Lease the said Peice of Land to the Petitioner, upon such Terms as they shall think will be for the Interest of the Town. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that
The Selectmen
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Jonah Quincy Esq

be a Committee to enquire, how far M^r. Byles, has complied with his Lease, & to Report to the Town at May Meeting; as also what is proper to be done for the Security of the Land —

The Petition of M^r. Samuel Hunt, Master of the North Grammar School, "That the same Encouragement may be given him, in the Article of House-Rent as is afforded the Master of the other Grammar School" was [489.] Read, & considered, Whereupon Voted, That the Sum of Thirty Pounds be, & hereby is allowed him, to enable him to provide a House for himself the present Year —

The Committee on M^r. Gaven Brown's Petition, relative to a Clock, reported, but after long Debate had, as to the Propriety of this Reports being taken up, — It was Voted, That the Matter subside. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz'. "To consider of the Request of a Number of the Inhabitants, That the Incumbrances on Dock Square may be removed & Measures taken for filling up the Town-Dock, that so room may be made for the Standing of the Horses & Carts, of those Country People, who bring Provisions to Market, was read, & after Debate had thereon,

Voted, that Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Joseph Jackson Esq.

M^r. William Cooper

John Rowe Esq.

be a Committee to take the same into Consideration, & report as soon as may be; & the Committee are hereby empower'd to treat with the Proprietors, if they have any Doubt, as to the Title of the Dock. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz' "Whether the Town will take any Measures for providing a suitable Place, where the Carts & Sleds with Hay Fire-Wood &c. may be accommodated, and the Inhabitants of Corn-Hill thereby eased of that Incumbrance," was read & Debate had thereon

Whereupon

Voted, That Thomas Marshall Esq

Capt. Thomas Dalton, say James

Capt. John Joy

Benjamin Kent Esq.

M^r. William Whitwell

Be a Committee to take this Matter into Consideration, & to report at the Adjournment what they think proper to be done. —

[490.] That Article in the Warrant, Viz'. "To consider whether the Selectmen shall be authorized & empower'd to prosecute any Person or Persons, that have, or may encroach upon the Town's Land, or on the Streets or High Ways of the Town, was read & considered — Whereupon Voted, That the Selectmen for the Time being, as Agents of the Town, be, & they hereby are empowered to bring forward & prosecute in the Law any Suit, or Suits that may be necessary for Recovering their Right Title & Possession of, and in all such Lands, Tenements & Hereditaments, as are the Property of the Town; & also for the Removal of all

such Incumbrances, as have been, or may be made upon the Town's Land, Streets or High Ways; & this they are directed & impowered to do until final Judgment & Execution. —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 30th of March instant 9 O'Clock A. M.

Wednesday Morning at 9 O'Clock Town met according to Adjournment.

The Town made Choice of John Rowe Esq. for a Moderator, Pro Tempore, in the Room of the Hon^{ble} Thomas Cushing Esq. confined at Home by Illness, but M^r. Rowe desiring to be excused, John Hill Esq. was chosen a Moderator *pro Temp.* in his Room —

M^r. John Smith

M^r. John Peirce Palmer

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.

That Clause in the Warrant. Viz^t., "Whether the Town will take any Measures for providing a suitable Place, where the Carts & Sleds with Hay, Fire-Wood &c. may be accommodated, & Inhabitants of Cornhill thereby eased of that Incumbrance," was read, & the Committ^{ee} thereon acquainted the Town, "That they were not yet able to make Report," when they were desired to do it as soon as may be. —

[491.] The Request of M^r. Miller, as inserted in the Warrant Viz^t., That he may have Liberty, at his own Expence, to run a Head, or Wharf from his Land across the Bottom of Milk-Street, to improve it for Landing Lumber &c. & to pay the Town a Consideration for the Rent of it," was read, Whereupon, Voted, that

The Selectmen

be a Committee to take this Matter into Consideration, and to report as soon as may be —

The Petition of M^r. Samuel Barrett & others, "That proper & legal Measures may be adoped for laying out a Street to lead from the Botton of Union-Street, below the Green Dragon, to the Bottom of Sudbury Street," was read, whereupon

Voted, That the Gentlemen the Selectmen be a Committee to Consider the Petition, & determine upon the same as they may think for the Advantage of the Town —

The Petition of the Rev^d. John Christopher Hartwick setting forth.

"That your Petitioner came to this Town upon a Call of a Number of Inhabitants of the same, originally Germans, came to this Place upwards of Twenty Years ago, upon the Invitation of some notable Gentlemen of this Place promising them great Advantages — That by that Call your Petitioner is appointed spiritual Pastor over them — That your Petitioner findeth the Execution of his Office a very difficult Task upon several Accounts, especially for Want of a convenient House to meet in for Instruction & Divine Worship. — That the Members of his Congregation are generally poor, & unable either to purchase Ground or to build a House of Divine Worship. — Your Petitioner therefore begs Leave to observe to your Honors, that unless he is assisted in this respect by the Generous Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, he must give up his

Vocation & leave this People, without a Remedy, in the degenerate & deplorable [492.] State, in which he found them, & in which, in a great Measure they are yet, in which Case a Number of them may become a Burden to the Community, & a Stain to the glorious Character of the People of Boston, which would be a great Pity, as they are industrious People, and by proper Care may become an Ornament & Blessing to the Society, of which, by Divine Providence, they are become members. But your Petitioner hath Ground to hope better Things, from the Consideration, that the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston have deservedly the Name of a Religious, Generous & Hospitable People: That therefore they will consider, that this People is come among them, not slyly & surreptitiously, like the Gibeonites; that they, notwithstanding that, share the Fate of the Gibeonites, contrary to what they were made to expect: That they are Fellow-Protestants, built upon the Foundation of the Prophets & Apostles, of which Jesus Christ is the Chief Corner Stone, renouncing all Human Traditions & Popish Relicks. That every Member of a Body is under an Obligation to serve his Fellow-Members, with the Gifts he has received, as good Stewards of the manifold Grace of God: That it is the express Command of God to love the Strangers, as ourselves, considering that our Forefathers were also Strangers, & that God himself loveth Strangers: That People of a different Language residing in an *Imperium* is both Ornamental & Beneficial. — These & other Considerations, too tedious to be recited here, have emboldened your Petitioner, to lay his, & his Peoples Circumstances before your Honors, in Order to communicate them to the respectable Inhabitants in lawful Town Meeting assembled, humbly praying to take their pitiful Case into their most serious Consideration, & to assist them in the best Manner their Wisdom may suggest & their Charity move them to. —

[493.] If my humble Opinion was asked, or I might be more particular in my humble Request, it is this: I am informed that in the Common, near the School-House, is a vacant & convenient Spot of Ground, on which a plain Meeting-House, without any Ornaments or Superfluities, might be built, if a public Collection in all the Churches was granted. The Ground remain under the Trust of the Selectmen, & the Reversion & remainder to the Town, & only the Use granted to your Petitioner & his Successors, being Evangelical Ministers of the Gospel, & the Evangelical Inhabitants of the Town of Boston in Communion with the Protestant Churches in Europe, who consent to & approve of the famous & Original Confession delivered to Charles the Fifth, Emperor of Germany, in a Diet of the States of the German Empire, & publicly read at Augshourg in the Year of our Lord 1530.

But all this your Petitioner leaveth to your Honor's superior Knowledge & Wisdom, only begging to pardon his Freedom, to grant him the Privilege of your Favors & Protection. And for the Prosperity of your Town & Country, your Petitioner shall always pray." — was read, & after Debate had thereon,

Voted, that The Gentlemen the Selectmen
Benjamin Kent Esq.

D^r. Benjamin Church
M^r. Ezekiel Price

be a Committee to take this Petition into Consideration & report as soon as may be. —

The Committee appointed to examine the Accompts of David Jeffries Town Treasurer have attended that service and find the same right cast & well vouched, in which he charges himself with sundry Fines, Rents, & other Incomes of the Town; as also with the Tax of £7000, all which amount to the Sum of Fourteen Thousand Two Hundred & Forty Pounds Eleven Shillings & nine Pence Three Farthings, including the Balance of old Account. —

And the said Treasurer discharges himself by sundry Abatements made the Collectors amounting to £708 ,, 12 ,, 9 [494.] By Drafts made on the Selectmen amounting to £4256 ,, 14 ,, 7½ of which he has paid Thirty Eight Hundred Thirty Three Pounds Seven Shillings and Two Pence Farthing. —

And by Drafts made by the Overseers of the Poor which contain the Charges of the Alms House amounting Thirty Three Hundred forty three pounds four Shillings & two pence, of which he has paid Twenty three Hundred & five Pounds thirteen shillings & ten pence — Also for sundry Sums paid for Interest amounting to three hundred twenty nine pounds fifteen shillings & eight pence, the whole amounting to eight thousand six hundred & thirty eight Pounds eight shillings & six pence three farthings. —

The said Committee have inspected said Drafts in a very particular manner, & have examined the Vouchers produced by the Overseers of the poor for the amount of their Drats & every other Branch of public Charge, amounting in all, as above to eight thousand six hundred & thirty eight pounds eight shillings & six pence farthing, as by Account of Town Treasury in Town Treasurer's Books Balance whereof being five thousand six hundred & two pounds three shillings & three pence is carried to the Credit of new Account. —

Which Report & Account being read — Voted, that the same be, & hereby is accepted. —

The Committee appointed to examine the Town Treasury Accompts reported a Memorandum of sundry Debts, supposed not good, which stands open in the Treasurer's Books,

viz ^t . Edward Hopkins - -	£ 1 ,, — ,, —
Thomas Meulins's Estate	7 ,, 13 ,, 7
Henry Lloyd Esq. - - -	1 ,, 17 ,, 3
Aaron Rannell - - -	4 ,, —
Inorcas Blake's Estate -	— 16 ,, ,,
Samuel Butler's Estate -	2 ,, 19 ,, 3
John Wardell's Estate -	6 ,, 8 ,, 10
Benjamin Hodgins Estate	“ 16 ,, ,,
Charles Henley's Estate	18 ,, — 4½
Isaac Cazneau - - -	18 ,, — 4½
John & Richard Billings	1 ,, 11 ,, 10
Thomas Green - - -	“ 16 ,, ,,
Isaac Dupee - - -	1 ,, 2 ,, 3½
Ephraim Copeland - -	“ 19 ,, 7
Peter Cumber - - -	12 ,, 12 ,, 10

[495.]

Whereupon Voted, That the Town Treasurer, M^r. David Jeffries be, & he hereby is directed to close those Accompts together with what M^r. Samuel Adams, a late Collector, erroneously stands D^r. for on Town Treasury Books. —

Voted, That all Matters & things which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the next general Town Meeting, to be then considered of and acted upon. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the 30th. Day of March Anno Dom : 1774 8 O'Clock P.M. —

Warrant for calling the Meeting, read —

The Town having upon a Motion made Voted to choose a Moderator by Hand-Vote, William Phillips Esq. was accordingly chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t., " To determine whether the Town will purchase the new Clock lately made by M^r. Gawen Brown, & fix the same in the Steeple of the old South [496.] Church, and also the two Dials that are already there, and another that M^r. Brown proposes to put up on the West side of said Steeple, & agree upon the Terms, on which such Purchase shall be made " — was taken into Consideration, & after some Debate thereon, Voted, That the Town will grant the said Gawen Brown Eighty Pounds lawful Money towards purchasing said Clock & three Dials, which, with Eighty Pounds lawful Money more subscribed by several of the Inhabitants (Part of which he has already received) will in the Estimation of the Town, be the full Value of said Clock & three Dials, the Grant hereby made to be drawn for by the Selectmen, as soon as may be after said Clock & Dials are fixt in said Steeple to their Satisfaction, provided said Brown give, Security to the Selectmen that he will keep said Clock in good Order and winde up the same at his own Expençe for Seven Years after said Clock & Dials are there fixed ; the third Dial to be of the same Size with the other two Dials —

Also Voted

That the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to take a Bill of Parcels of M^r. Brown for the Clock & Dials, together with a Receipt in full, that it may hereafter appear to be the Property of the Town. —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. having sent in his Desire to the Town, that he might be excused from serving any longer as a Fire-Ward, on Account of his Health ; he was accordingly excused. —

Upon a Motion made Voted unanimously, That the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to the Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq. for his good Services as a Fire-Ward, a Number of Years past. —

[497.] The Committee appointed by the Town of Boston for procuring & erecting Lamps, beg leave to report, and they accordingly do report —

That they received of the Treasurer out of the Monies subscribed and paid for the Purpose £120 Sterling, with which they procured & sent to M^r. John Boylston Merchant in London a Bill of Exchange for £90 Sterling

That M^r. Boylston procured & sent Lamps & Tin to the Amount of £77 ,, 3 ,, 6 sterling. in which he did not charge any Commissions, or any thing for his Trouble, & moreover, he made such an Interest with the Captain as to obtain their being brought free of the Charge of Freight, all which has made a considerable Saving to the Town. —

That the whole Number of Lamps erected under the Direction of the Committee amounts to three hundred & Ten. —

That the whole Sum received of, & drawn upon the Treasurer for, amounts to £450 ,, 7 ,, 3, as by Account of Particulars hereto annexed —

That there still remains in the Hands of M^r. John Boylston Merchant in London the Sum of £12 ,, 16 ,, 6 sterling to be accounted for by him, & in the hands of the Committee 59 Globe Glasses — 665 Tin Plates and 6^{lb} weight of Oakum which are ready to be delivered to the Order of the Town

all which is humbly submitted

JOHN ROWE p Order

The foregoing Report having been read, the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative Upon a Motion made Voted, that

John Rowe Esq.

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

The Moderator

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to draw up a Vote of Thanks to M^r. John Boylston, to be reported, before the same is transmitted. —

[498.] Voted, that this Meeting be, & hereby is adjourned to Fryday the 8th. Day of April next, 3 O'Clock P. M.

Fryday April 8th. 1774, 3 O'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment. —

M^r. Robert Breck

was chosen a Culler of Hoops & Staves for the Year ensuing —

The Co^mittee appointed to receive the Money subscribed for purchasing of Lamps, report

That they have attended that Business, & received of the persons, whose Names are mentioned in the Lists of the several Wards, herewith delivered, the Sum of five Hundred & twenty four Pounds eleven shillings, & eight pence, which, agreeable to the Vote of the Town, they have paid into the Town Treasury.

That there are some other Subscribers who have not paid their Subscriptions, but when received are likewise to be paid into the Treasury. —

And that there are a Number who have subscribed to give Lamps, & others, whose Subscriptions are to be paid in Work, as mentioned in said Lists; the Names of whom and their particular

Subscriptions have likewise been given to the Committees appointed to purchase and erect the Lamps £ 524 ,, 11 ,, 8 —

JA^d. RICHARDSON p Order

The above Report having been read, the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted—Passed in the Affirmative. —

The Selectmen being appointed a Committee to consider the Petition of M^r. Samuel Barrett & others, that a street might be laid out, extending from the Bottom of Union Street to the End of Sudbury Street, do report as their Opinion,

That it will not be of any Advantage to the Town to have any other Street, than what the Abbuters on the Land between [499.] The Street called Friend Street & Cold Lane, have already laid out, unless the Owners of the Land between Union Street, and Friend Street, & from Cold Lane to Sudbury Street, are inclined to lay out a Street through their Land, at their own Expence, in which Case they think it best that they may be permitted to lay out One accordingly. —

JOHN SCOLLEY, p Order

The foregoing Report having been read & considered—the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted—Passed in the Affirmative. —

The Committee appointed to take into Consideration the Petition of the Rev^d. M^r. John Christopher Hartwick, in behalf of a Number of German Families being in this Town for Assistance in building a small House for Public Worship—Reported,

That having met & considered the same, they are of Opinion, That one half Part of the Building now improved as a Granary, be allowed the Petitioners by them to be used & improv'd as a Place for the public Worship of God. the same to be leased to them for such a Term of Years, & upon Conditions as the Town shall think proper—The Committee would beg Leave to recommend, that a Brief be sent to the Ministers of the several Churches & Congregations, in the Town for farther Aid and Assistance to the Petitioners, by a public Contribution in the several Churches & Congregations, an Estimate being first made of the Sum necessary to be raised for the Relief of the Petitioners. —

The foregoing Report having been read, and some Debate had thereon, it was voted, that the farther Consideration of said Report be referr'd over to May Meeting & that the same be inserted in the Warrant that shall be issued for said Meeting —

[500.] The Committee appointed to draw up a Vote of Thanks to M^r. John Boylston Merchant in London, for his Services to this Town in purchasing a Number of Lamps & shipping them from London, — Reported the following Draft

John Rowe Esq. Chairman of the Committee, appointed the 5th. day of May 1773 to procure Lamps &c. from London to be fixt in such parts of the Town, as said Committee should judge proper for enlightening the same, made Report of their Proceedings in Writing thereon; & at the same Time informed the Town, that the said Committee had employed M^r. John Boylston, late of this Town Merchant, now residing in London, to purchase said Lamps—

That M^r. Boylston very readily & cheerfully undertook this Service — That he purchased the Lamps very cheap — That he took great Care in the Packing & shipping of them — & got them transported & shipped from London free of Freight and that he will not accept of any Comission for his Trouble in this Affair, nor for some Expence he has been at in Transacting the same —

The Town taking this Representation into their Consideration, & having a grateful sense of M^r. Boylston's great Care & Generosity in this Affair, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to M^r. Boylston for the same.

The foregoing Report having been read, the Question was put, Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affermative unanimously. Also Voted

that William Phillips Esq.

John Rowe Esq.

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

be and hereby are appointed a Co^mittee to transmit the foregoing Vote, attested by the Town Clerk to the said M^r. Boylston as soon as may be. —

[501.] Upon a motion made, Voted, that John Rowe Esq. be desired to write M^r. Boylston that the Ballance remaining in his Hands may be sent in Lamps so soon as conveniently may be —

John Rowe Esq. having offered in this Meeting to allow the Town Twenty Shillings p hundred for all the Oakum remaining in his hands, of that which was sent by M^r. Boylston, it was Voted, that this Offer be accepted, & that M^r. Rowe be desired to pay the Amount thereof to M^r. Town Treasurer —

The Town Clerk having laid before the Town, the Doings of his Majesty's Justices, & the Gentlemen the Selectmen of Boston, together with the Return of the Jury appointed to make Assessments &c. relative to the new Street in Paddy's Alley — Voted, That the Clerk be directed to record the same in the Town Book of Record — Mem^o. all on File — see Page 552 —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Fire Ward in the room of the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. who has declined serving on Account of his Health; & upon sorting the same it appeared that

Ezekiel Cheever Esq.

was chosen a Fire Ward for the Year ensuing —

That Article in the Warrant for March Meeting, Viz^t. "Whether the Town will purchase the Buildings erected by M^r. Robert Pierpoint on the Town Land adjoining to the Fortification," being reffer'd over for Consideration to this Meeting, the same was taken up by the Town, and after some Debate had thereon,

Voted, that William Phillips Esq.

M^r. Edward Payne

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Ezekiel Price

[502.] Be, & hereby are appointed a Co^mittee to take this Article of the Warrant into Consideration & report their Opinion relative thereto at the General Town Meeting in May next —

M^r. Alexander Edwards, who was chosen one of the Wardens for the ensuing Year, having declined serving in that Office, was accordingly excused by the Town. —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Warden and upon sorting them, it appeared, that

Cap^t. Andrew Symmes jun^r.

was chosen a Warden for the Year ensuing. —

Agreeable to the *Venire* for the Choice of Jurymen for April Court, received from the Clerk of Sessions, the Town proceeded to the Choice of Six Jurors, by drawing them out of the Box, when,

M^r. John Box jun^r.

William Wane

Benjamin Andrews jun^r.

John M^cClane

Edward Winter Calf

Joseph Richardson

were drawn Jurors for April Court, & the *Venire*, with the Names of those Persons were given to one of the Constables. —

Voted, That all Matters & things, which remain unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the next General Town Meeting be then considered of, & acted upon —

Voted, unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to William Phillips Esq. the Moderator of this Meeting, for his good Services therein. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[503.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Wednesday the 10th. day of May 1774. —

Prayer was made by the Reverend M^r. John Lathrop.

The Precept & Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

Sundry Laws - - - - - read —

M^r. Timothy Newell, one of the Selectmen proposed, in their Names, to the assembled Inhabitants, to proceed to the Choice of One, or more Persons to represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly, to be held at the Town House in Boston, upon Wednesday the 25th. day of May Current, & in order thereto to consider, & ascertain the Number of Gentlemen to be Elected: Accordingly it was Voted, to proceed to the Choice of Four Representatives, & then it was declared by the Selectmen That no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded; and that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in for Four Representatives the Number of the same was found to be five hundred and thirty Six, & upon sorting them it appeared that the four following Gentlemen were chosen — Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. - - - - - 524

M^r. Samuel Adams - - - - - 535

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. - - - - - 536

William Phillips Esq. - - - - - 534

The Choice of Representatives being over, & declared by the Selectmen, the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, & bring in

their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, in Order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant [504.] Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, & brought in their Votes, & upon sorting them it appeared that M^r. Samuel Adams was chosen —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "Whether the Inhabitants will give Instructions to the Representatives that may be chosen," was read — and 4 O'Clock Afternoon was assigned for the Consideration of said Article. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M. —

To the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of Boston, in Town Meeting assembled May 10th. 1774.

Pursuant to a Vote of the Town of Boston, at their annual Meeting the 5th. day of May last, desiring the Selectmen to visit the public Schools in the Town, & to invite such Gentlemen to accompany them therein, as they shall think proper, & to report thereon. —

We, the Subscribers accordingly attended that Service on the 7th. day of July last, & the following Gentlemen were invited to accompany us therein. Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. John Ervin Esq.
 James Bowdoin Esq.
 Samuel Pitts Esq.
 Dr. John Winthrop
 The Representatives of the Town
 The Overseers of the Poor
 The Town Treasurer
 The Rev^d. Charles Chauncey D.D.
 Mather Byles D.D.
 Andrew Eliot D.D.
 Samuel Cooper D.D.
 Ebenezer Pemberton D.D.
 Samuel Mather D.D.
 John Hunt
 John Bacon
 John Lathrop
 Simeon Howard
 M^r. How
 M^r. Gordon of Roxbury
 Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.
 M^r. William Payne
 M^r. John Leach
 M^r. Benj^r. Goodwin
 M^r. John Boynton
 M^r. Samuel Eliot
 M^r. John Scollay jun^r.
 Thomas Brattle Esq.
 John Missling Esq. of Philadelphia
 M^r. Nathaniel Appleton
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 Isaac Smith Esq.
 Joseph Jackson Esq.

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M^r. Alexander Hill
 Cap^t. Fortisque Vernon
 Cap^t. Solomon Davis
 Ben^j. Kent Esq.
 Joseph Scott Esq.
 Cap^t. John Bradford
 John Adams Esq.
 M^r. Moses Gill
 D^r. Belcher Noyes
 M^r. Jon^s. Amory
 D^r. Ben^j. Church
 Cap^t. Mackay
 D^r. Thomas Bulfinch
 D^r. John Greenleaf
 M^r. Josiah Quincy
 John Phillips Esq.
 M^r. Henry Bromfield
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 Major Thomas Daws
 M^r. Michael Homer
 M^r. Henry Laughton
 Col. John Erving
 John Fenton Esq.
 M^r. William Dennie
 M^r. William Mollineux

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and found the South Grammar School had 139 Schollars The North Grammar School 60 Scholars The North Writing School 240 Scholars: The writing School in Queen Street 280 Scholars, all in very good Order

JOHN SCOLLAY	} Selectmen of Boston.
TIMOTHY NEWELL	
THOMAS MARSHALL	
JOHN PITTS	

Voted, that the Selectmen be, & they hereby are appointed to act upon the List of Jurors. —

The Co^mmittee appointed to consider that Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. “ Whether the Town will purchase the Buildings erected by M^r. Robert Pierpoint in the Town’s Lands adjoining to the Fortification,” Report, That they have viewed the Town’s Lands near the Fortification, & the Buildings erected thereon by M^r. Peirpoint & upon mature Consideration, are of Opinion; that it will not be for the Interest of the Town to purchase said Buildings. —

The Co^mmitte would farther report, that they have measured the Town’s Lands, & find that there is Sixty three feet without the Gate in Length, within the Bastions Forty two feet in Length, within the Gate, which is improved by M^r. Robert Pierpoint on the west side, & Sixty nine feet in Length on the East Side, as also Ninety two feet on the West Side in length. that is improved by Mess^{rs}. Tuckerman, Blake & Faxon, & Sixty two feet on the East Side in Length, that is improved by Mess^{rs}. Davis & Curtis; that those Lands at present fetch in but a Small Rent, tho’. in the

Opinion of the Committee said Lands are of a considerable Value, & if said may be much for the Interest of the Town. —

All which is submitted, in the Name of the Committee

W^m. PHILLIPS, p Order.

[507.] The foregoing Report having been read & considered, whereupon Voted, that the same be so far accepted, as it will not be for the Interest of the Town to purchase said Buildings. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t., “ What is proper to be done with the Lands belonging to the Town, adjoining to the Fortification, & *within* the same on both Sides the Street, was read, & Debate had thereon — whereupon moved, & Voted, that a Committee of Eleven Persons be raised, to consider of the State of all the Lands of the Town, both within & without the Fortification & near adjoining thereto, & that said Committee be impowered & directed to make Entry on all, or any Part of said Lands, and thereof to take full Seizin & Possession, in the Name & Behalf of the Town; & in Case all, or any of the Trespassers or Occupiers — thereof are willing to surrender, or Compromise with the Town, that such Committee be impowered to comply with all reasonable Offers, at the Direction of said Committee, so as that they do not proceed to alienate any Part of the Premises in Fee for Life or Years — also Voted, that John Scollay Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Timothy Newell

Thomas Marshall Esq.

M^r. Samuel Austin

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

Josiah Quincey Esq.

John Adams Esq.

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

Benjamin Kent Esq.

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid.

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. “ Whether the Town will give Instructions to the Gentlemen, that may be chosen to represent them in the next General Assembly,” was read — and considered, whereupon Voted, that

D^r. Benjamin Church

John Adams Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

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Benjamin Kent Esq.

Josiah Quincey Esq.

D^r. Young

M^r. James Lovel

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare Instructions to our Representatives, and report at the Adjournment

The Report of the Committee on the Rev^d. M^r. Hartwick's Petition laid before the Town by the Committee to whom said Petition was referred at the March Meeting which Report is to be considered at this Time, was again read; & the further Consideration referred, till the Report of the Committee on the State of the Granary be laid before the Town.

The Committee appointed the 14th. of March last, to examine into the State of the Granary, & report the same, & also their Opinion, whether it will be expedient for the Town to continue the same now; Report,

That they have, so far as it was in their Power, examined into the State of the Granary, & cannot find that any regular Accompts, or Entries have been made in any Books, either by the Purchasers of Grain or by the Keeper of the Granary, of the Quantities of Grain bought in each Year; therefore cannot ascertain the Gain or Loss in the Measure. —

The Committee have examined so far back as they were able, & find by the Papers laid before them, by M^r. John Fenno, Keeper of the Granary, that the Quantity of Corn & Rye, purchased by the Committee from March 1769 to March 1774 amounted to 5836 Bushells, & that he had sold out in that time 5060 Bushells, & there then remained in his hands only 376 Bushells, by which it appears there was a Loss in the Measure of the Corn of 400 Bushells which is 7 p Cent, but there was no Loss in the Rye

[509.] The Committee have also examined the Amounts of the Charges that have arisen for the last five Years, & find that the Measuring, Carting, Keeper's Allowance &c. amount to £238 ,, 10 ,, 1 lawful Money, which is Six Shillings & Six Pence half penny old Tenor p. Bushell on the whole quantity that was purchased in said five Years, exclusive of the 400 Bushells lost in the Measure, which being added makes it 8½ old Tenor p Bushell on the whole quantity laid in the last five Years. The quantity sold last Year was only 605 Bushells, & the Town Stock being now so very small, and the Keeper's Salary & Allowance, with other Expences being so great, out of such a Stock, the Committee are of Opinion, that it will not be for the Interest of the Town, to keep said Granary open the remainder of the Year, under the present Regulations —

The Committee would inform the Town, that upon Examination into the State of the Granary, they find, that in March in the Year 1752, they had a Stock of £380 ,, 18 ,, 1 which, in ten Years, viz^t. in March 1762 increased to £486 ,, 15 ,, 3 lawful Money, over & above all Charges, but since it has been annually decreasing, till now it is reduced to about £150 — The Reasons for which, the Committee, after a very strict Enquiry cannot assign. — All which is submitted by

EZEKIEL GOLDTHWAIT
WILLIAM WHITWEL
JOHN ROWE
ALEXANDER HILL
EDWARD PAYNE

Which Report being accepted by the Town —

On a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Selectmen be, & hereby are directed and impowered to lend M^r. John Fenno the Stock of Grain belonging to the Town, now in the Granary, at the Market Price, as also the Money belonging to the Town, now in the hands of the said Fenno, the Selectmen taking Security for the Payment of the whole in the Month of March next; — [510.] M^r

Fenno keeping the Granary always open on the usual Days, & having Liberty to open the same upon such other Days as he may think proper. —

October 6th 1790

The Select Men having examined the Acco^{ts}. of M^r. Fenno are of opinion that there is nothing due from M^r. Fenno to town

By order JOHN SCOLLAY

Also Voted, that the foregoing Committee on the state of the Granary, be desired to set again, & that they consider of a proper Place for the future Regulations of a Town Granary; as also to receive such Proposals or Plans us may be made & given in, & to Report next March Meeting

The Report of the Committee on the Reverend M^r. Hartwick's Petition, read again, and after considerable Debate had thereon —

Voted, that the Petitioner have Leave to withdraw his Petition. —

The Petition of M^r. David Jeffries, Town Treasurer, praying an Allowance for Reasons set forth in said Petition, was read & considered; whereupon

Voted, that the Sum of Thirty Pounds p Annum be added to the Town Treasurer's annual Salary —

The Petition of M^r. George Leonard, "for Liberty to erect a Grist-Mill, or Mills on Fort-Hill, on a new Construction & to build proper Rollers for the Breaking of Matt, the Usefulness of which Undertaking is set forth in said Petition;" was read, & after debate had thereon, the Question was put, "Whether the Prayer of said Petition be granted, — which passed in the Negative

Upon a Motion made & seconded, the Question was put — Whether the said Petition of M^r. George Leonard be dismissed — Passed in the Affirmative

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Fryday next 10 O'Clock A. M.

[511.] Fryday May 18th. 1774 — 10 O'Clock A. M. met Met according to Adjournment —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "Whether there shall be a Survey made, & a Plan drawn of all the Town's Lands," was read, whereupon Voted, That the Consideration of that Article be referred to next March Meeting —

That Article in the Warrant, viz^t. "Whether the Selectmen shall be impowered to appoint one or more Persons to prevent firing small Arms on the Neck, whereby the Limbs & Lives of the Inhabitants, have been greatly endangered; & also to remove any Incumbrances or Nuisances, which may hereafter be laid thereon," was read & considered; whereupon

Voted, That the Selectmen be instructed to impower a suitable Person to see that the Laws are carried into Execution against those who shall presume to discharge Fire Arms on Boston Neck, or shall lay any Incumbrances thereon —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "The Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants, That a public Well may be dug, & a Pump fixed upon Dock Square, for the further Preservation of the Town

from Fire; & the Accomodation of the Inhabitants in that Neighbourhood with Water," was read, whereupon, Voted, that

William Phillips Esq.

John Leveret Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

Jonathan Williams Esq

M^r. William Whitwel

be a Committee to take the Petition into Consideration, & to report at next March Meeting

[512.] Upon a Motion made Voted, That the Consideration of Schoolmaster's Salaries, & all other Salaries & Grants, be referred to the first Monday of July next 10 O'Clock. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, That the Grant of Monies for Town Charges be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting —

The Petition of M^r. Samuel Holbrook, Master of the South Writing School, "That he may be considered in the Article of House Rent, & allowed for Providing Assistance — what was granted to late Ushers," whereupon

Voted That the Consideration of this Petition be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To determine upon proper Methods for preserving Beacon Hill," was read —

Voted, That the Consideration hereof be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that all Matters & Things, not acted upon, be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

Voted, That this Meeting be, and hereby is adjourned to the 1st. Monday of July next 10 O'Clock —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Fryday the 13th. Day of May 11 O'Clock

[513.] Warrant for Calling the Meeting read.

The Town was desired to bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, & upon sorting them it appeared that M^r. Samuel Adams was chosen —

Upon a Motion made Voted, That this Meeting be opened with Prayer, & that the following Gentlemen, Viz^t.

William Phillips Esq.

Joseph Jackson Esq.

John Barrett Esq.

Jonathan Williams Esq.

M^r. William Whitwel

be a Committee to wait upon D^r. Cooper & acquaint him that it is the Desire of the Town, that he would open this Meeting with Prayer; & in Case he should not be readily found, that they then invite D^r. Chauncey, or any other Minister they shall think proper to perform that Service —

Voted, That the Port Bill be read, and it was read accordingly —

The Committee to wait on D^r. Cooper Reported that they had informed him of the Request of the Town, & had received for Answer, That tho' he was just returned fatigued from a Journey, he would yet comply with the Orders of the Town in giving his immediate Attendance —

Prayer was made by the rev^d. D^r. Cooper agreeable to the Request of the Town —

The Article in the Warrant, viz^t. "To consider what Measures are proper to be taken upon the present Exigency of our public Affairs, more especially relative to the late *Edict* of a British Parliament for Blocking up the Harbor of Boston, & annihilating the Trade of this Town," was read — whereupon a Motion was made, "That a Committee be appointed to [514.] Take the Act of Parliament referred to into Consideration and Report their Sense of what Measures are proper to be taken upon the present Exigency —

After some Debate upon the Motion made, it was moved & Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock P. M.

3 O'Clock Town met according to Adjournment

The Motion for a Committee to take into Consideration the Act, intituled the Boston Port-Bill, was again taken up —

By Order of the Town a Letter from Marblehead was read. —

A Motion made for a Committee to write a Circular Letter to the several Towns of this Province, & to the several Colonies, acquainting them with the present State of our Affairs. —

Moved & Voted, Nem. Cont. that

M^r. Samuel Adams

John Rowe Esq.

Thomas Boylston Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

John Adams Esq.

Josiah Quincey Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches

M^r. William Mollineux

M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to take the several Proposals, that have been made, & others that may be made, relative to our Conduct on the present Exigency, into their Consideration, & report, as soon as may be, their Opinion

On a Motion made, Voted, Nem. Cont. that a Committee be appointed to repair to the Town of Salem and [515.] Marblehead, to communicate with them upon the present Exigency of Affairs, and that

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

M^r. William Dennie

M^r. William Powell

M^r. Isaac Smith

be, and hereby are appointed a Committee to take that Purpose —

M^r. Edward Payne Merchant informing the Town that he was upon setting out on a Journey Eastward — he was desired to exert himself to promote the Success of said Committee —

Voted, that the Committee of Correspondence be desired to dispatch Messengers with all possible Speed to the other Colonies, & the several Towns in this Province, charged with the Letters & they have wrote relative to shutting up this Harbour &c —

Upon a Motion made the Letters wrote by the Committee of Correspondence to the several Towns in this Province on the Subject aforementioned, were read —

Voted, Nem. Con. that it is the Opinion of this Town, that if the other Colonies come into a joint Resolution, to stop all Importations from Great Britain & Exportations to Great Britain, & every part of the West Indies, till the Act for Blocking up this Harbor be repealed, the same will prove the Salvation of North America & her Liberties: On the other Hand, if they continue their Exports & Imports, there is high Reason to fear, that Fraud, Power & the most Odious Oppression, will rise triumphant over Right, Justice, Social Happiness & Freedom — And moreover, that this Vote be forthwith transmitted by the Moderator to all our Sister Colonies in the Name & behalf of this Town

Also Voted, That the Moderator be desired to when he transmits the foregoing Vote, to give a Narrative of the News & Intelligence we have lately, & this Day received, and [516.] The Town Clerk is directed to serve the Committee of Correspondence for Salem with a Copy of this Vote. —

A Motion made & passed, that every Gentleman, who has Friends & Correspondents in the other Sea Port Towns & the Colonies, that they be desired to write Letters to such Correspondents, strongly recommending their coming into the Measures of this Vote. —

The Gentlemen of Rhode Island Government in the Meeting, were desired to use their Influence; that their Province may second the Measures of this Town in the present Exigency —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, being the 18th. Instant, 10 O'Clock A.M.

Wednesday May 18th. 1774, 10 O'Clock A.M. met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed by this Town, "To repair to Marblehead & Salem to Communicate to them on the present Exigency of Affairs," Do report, That they proceeded on that Business, & discoursed with the Selectmen & other Gentlemen of both Towns, who discovered a Disposition to aid & support us in the present Struggle for our invaded Rights; & for that Purpose the Selectmen of each Town gave their Assurance, that their respective Towns would have a Meeting forthwith; the Result of which they would immediately forward to the Selectmen of Boston.

OLIVER WENDELL P. Order

The Moderator of this Meeting laid before the Town a Letter sent

him by M^r. James Bois of Milton, in which he makes an Offer to the Town of the Use of his Slitting Mills at Milton, & the Utensils belonging to the same, for the Employment of our Blacksmiths, "during the Blockade of Boston," by a British Fleet & Army & the same having been read —

[517.] Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & they hereby are given to M^r. James Bois for his kind Offer of the Slitting Mill & Utensils, upon the present Emergencies of the Inhabitants —

The Com^{it}tee appointed on Fryday last to receive Proposals &c Report verbally that they had received several Proposals & plans, which appeared to them very likely to promote the Ease of those Inhabitants who may be brought into Distress by the Operation of the detested Port-Bill but that not having had time to digest those Plans, they asked Leave to set again, & report at the Adjournment, when having heard from the other Colonies, they will be better able to make said Report.

The Town Clerk was directed to desire the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. to attend with Part of a written Report of the Committee to receive Proposals &c —

The Moderator informed the Inhabitants that agreeable to the Order of the Town he had enclosed an attested Copy of Town Votes in Letters to the several Provinces, by M^r. Reviere, who set out last Saturday, & that he should forward Copies as Opportunities presented —

M^r. Speaker Cushing attended & informed the Town that he had not written Report of the Com^{it}tees; on Ways & Means —

An Act of the British Parliament was read entitled, an Act to discontinue, in such Manner, & for such Time, as are therein mentioned, the Landing and discharging, loading or Shipping of Goods, Ware & Merchandize, at the Town within the Harbor of Boston, in the Province of Massachusetts Bay in North America — and thereupon Voted; unanimously, 1st. That the Trade of the Town of Boston has been an essential Link in that vast Chain of Commerce, which in the Course of a few Ages, has raised New England to be what it is, the Southern Provinces to be what they are, the West India Islands to their Wealth &, in One Word, the British Empire, to that Height of Opulence, Power, Pride & Splendor, at which it now stands. — 2^d. That the Impolicy, Injustice, Inhumanity, & Cruelty, of the Act aforesaid, exceed all our Powers of Expression & Conception, we therefore leave it to the just Censure of others, & appeal to God & the World. —

Also Voted, That the above Notes be entered upon the Records of the Town —

Voted, that the Com^{it}tee to receive Proposals and Plans, & to consult Ways & means for the Relief of the Poor, be desired to sit again.

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 30th. Instant 10 O'Clock A.M. —

May 30th. 1774. 10 O'Clock. Met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee to receive Proposals & to consider of Ways & Means to employ the Poor, acquaint the Town, they they were not able to report at present — they were therefore desired to sit again. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, That when this Meeting be adjourned. it shall be to Fryday the 17th. day of June 10 O'Clock. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, That the Committee appointed to receive Proposals & consider of Ways & Means, be desired to prepare a Paper, to be carried to each Family in the Town, the Report of which to be, not to purchase any Articles of British Manufactures, that can be obtained among Ourselves, & that they will purchase Nothing of, but totally desert those who shall Counter-work the Salutary Measures of the Town.

Voted, That the Committee of Correspondence be & hereby are directed, to communicate the Non Consumption Agreement aforesaid to the other Towns in the Province.

Adjourned to June 17. 10 O'Clock Forenoon —

[519.] June 17th. 10 O'Clock, Town met agreeable to the Adjournment of the above Meeting, from 30th. May to this day.

Mr. Samuel Adams the Moderator, being at Salem, attending the Business of the General Court, the Town proceeded to the Choice of a *Pro Tempore* Moderator, when the Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq. was chosen unanimously; and a Committee of three Gentlemen was sent to inform him, who Reported, that he was from Home — John Rowe Esq. was then chosen, but Business preventing his Attendance, the Votes, it appeared, that the Hon^{ble}. John Adams Esq. was chosen, and being informed of it by the above Committee, he gave his Attendance accordingly. —

D^r. Warren, one of the Committee on Ways & Means, acquainted the Town, that they thought it best to defer making Report, till they had heard from the other Governments, whereupon they were directed to set again. —

Upon a Motion made the Town again entered into the Consideration of the Article in the Warrant, Viz^t., “To consider & determine what Measures are proper to be taken upon the present Exigency of our public Affairs, more especially relative to the late Edict of the British Parliament for Blocking up the Harbour of Boston, & annihilating the Trade of this Town,” and after very serious Debates thereon —

Voted, (with only one Dissident) That the Committee of Correspondence be enjoined forthwith to write to all the other Colonies, acquainting them that we are not idle, that we are deliberating upon the Steps to be taken on the present Exigencies of our public Affairs; that our Brethren the lauded Interest of the Province, with an unexampled Spirit and Unanimity, are entering into a Non-Consumption agreement; [520.] And that we are waiting with anxious Expectation for the Result of a Continental Congress; whose Meeting we impatiently desire, & in whose Wisdom & Firmness we can Confide, & in whose Determinations we shall cheerfully acquiesce —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to 8 O'Clock P. M. —

3 O'Clock P. M. Met according to Adjournm^t.

Agreeable to Order the Co^mittee of Correspondence laid before the Town such Letters as they had received in Answer to the Circular Letter, wrote by them to the several Colonies, & also to the Sea-Port Towns in this Province, since the Receipt of the Boston Port Bill, & the same being publickly read — Whereupon —

Voted, unanimously, That our warmest Thanks be transmitted to our Brethren on the Continent for that Humanity, Sympathy & Affection, with which they have been inspired, & which they have expressed towards this distressed Town, at this important Season

Voted. unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to the Co^mittee of Correspondence to their Faithfulness, in the Discharge of their Trust, & that they be desired to continue their Vigilance & Activity in that Service —

Whereas the Overseers of the Poor in the Town of Boston are a Body politic by Law constituted for the Receipt & Distribution of all charitable Donations for the use of the Poor of said Town —

Voted, that all Grants and Donations to this Town & the Poor thereof at this distressed Season, be paid & Delivered into the Hands of the Overseers & by them [521.] Appropriated & distributed, in Concert with the Co^mittee lately appointed by this Town for the Consideration of the Ways & Means of Employing the Poor —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that the Clerk be directed to Publish the Proceedings —

Adjourned to June 27th. 10 O'Clock A. M.

Port Bill adjournment.

Met agreeable to Adjournment June 27th. 10 °Clock A.M.

M^r. Samuel Adams in the Chair —

Moved & seconded that the Co^mittee of Correspondence be desired to lay the Letters they have wrote to the other Towns and Governments since the Receipt of the Port Bill, — the question being put — Passed in the Affirmative —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to the Old South Meeting House, the Hall not being sufficient to contain all the Inhabitants assembled. —

M^r. William Mollineux

M^r. William Cooper

D^r. Benj^s. Church

appointed a Co^mittee to wait upon the Proprietors Committee of that House for to make Use of it.

The Town being again met according to Adjournment — A Motion was made & passed. That all Letters received as well as the Answers returned, be laid before the Town and read —

After the Town Clerk had accordingly read a Number of Letters, a Motion was made that the said Vote be so far Reconsidered. as that the Reading of all other Letters previous to the Covenant sent into the Country by the Co^mittee of Correspondence, & the Letters accompanying the same, be suspended for the present, & that the Town proceed to the Reading of said Letter & Covenant, & any other Letters that may be particularly called for —

The said Covenant & a Number of Letters having been read, a Motion was made, that some Censure be now passed [522.] By the Town on the Conduct of the Committee of Correspondence; and that said Committee be annihilated —

Mr. Adams, the Moderator, then moved, that as the Conduct of the Committee of Correspondence for this Town, of which he had the Honor of being a Member, is now to be considered, another Moderator might be chosen *Pro Tempore*.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was accordingly chosen Moderator during that Debate —

The Motion for Censuring & annihilating the Committee of Correspondence was considered & the Gentlemen in favor of the Motion patiently heard; but it being dark; and these declaring that they had farther to offer —

Voted, that the Consideration thereof be referred to the Adjournment —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday next 10 O'Clock —

Tuesday June 28. 10 O'Clock met according Adjournment —

The Motion for Censuring & Annihilating the Committee of Correspondence again Considered, & after long Debates the Question was accordingly put; which passed in the Negative by a great Majority —

It was then moved, that the following Vote be passed, Viz'. "That the Town bear open Testimony that they are abundantly satisfied of the upright Intentions, and much approve the honest Zeal of the Committee of Correspondence & desire that they would persevere with their usual Activity & Firmness, continuing steadfast in the Way of well Doing — And the Question being put, passed in the Affirmative by a *Vast Majority*

[523.] The Committee on Ways & Means for employing the Poor acquaint the Town, that they had met, & had received very encouraging Accounts of the Readiness of their Sister Colonies to assist us; & various Proposals from Sundry Persons for employing the Poor, upon which they were deliberating, but were not yet prepared to Report — They therefore required further Time to Report, which was allowed them —

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair —

A Motion made that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday the 19th. of July 10 O'Clock A. M. to meet at Faneuil Hall, and the Meeting was adjourned accordingly. —

May Meeting Adjournment

Monday July 4th 10 O'Clock Town met according to Adjournment. —

Moved & seconded, that the Vote lately passed, — referring the Consideration of the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants, That there might be a public Well on Dock Square, be now reconsidered, & that the Town now be Dug &c. after some Debate the Motion was withdrawn

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Thanks of this Town be, & hereby are given to our worthy Friends of the

Town of Windham for their late generous Donation to those People in this Town, who are now Suffering by the Operation of the Boston Port Bill, so called. —

Moved & Voted, That the Consideration of Grants & Salaries be referred to Tuesday the 19th Day of July 9 o'Clock A. M.

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. "To determine upon proper Methods for preserving of Beacon Hill," was read & Considered, whereupon a Motion made, that the Selectmen be directed & impowered, as Agents of the Town to prosecute M^r. Hudson for Encroachments on Beacon Hill; this Motion subsided [524.] And M^r. Thomas Hudson being present, he proposed in Order that a final Determination may be made relative to the Dispute between him & the Town about Beacon Hill, he was willing that the same should be settled by five indifferent persons to be mutually chosen by the Town & himself, they or a major part of them to award what Damages the Town has sustained by his digging away, or undermining said Hill; & also what Sum the Town shall give him for such Part of his Lands, as shall be judged necessary for the Preservation of said Hill — The Question being put — Whether the Town will agree to the above Proposals — Passed in the Affirmative

The Town then proposed Capt. William Heath of Roxbury & Deacon John Frattingham of Charlestown, as Referees on the Part of the Town, which M^r. Hudson approved of — M^r. Samuel How of Dorchester & M^r. Nathanael Brown of Charlestown, were proposed by M^r. Hudson, as Referees, and approved of by the Town — It was agreed by the parties that M^r. Lemuel Robinson of Dorchester be the fifth Man

Moved & Voted that M^r. David Jeffries Town Treasurer, be & hereby is directed & impowered in behalf of the Town, to execute such Bonds of Submission, as shall be thought necessary for a Compliance with the Award of the Referees —

Voted. That the Time limited for finishing & bringing in the forementioned Award by the Referees, be the 5th of September next —

Voted, That Col. Thomas Marshall
John Scollay Esq.
M^r. Oliver Wendell

be & hereby are appointed & impowered as a Co^mmittee, to appear before the Referees & make Representation in behalf of the Town —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to our worthy Friends, the Inhabitants of the Town of Windham in the Colony of Connecticut, for the kind [525.] And generous Assistance they have granted this Town under its present Distress & Calamity, involuntarily — sending 258 Sheep, as a Present for the Relief of the Poor, industrious Inhabitants of this Place, who by a late oppressive & cruel Act of Parliament for blocking up the Harbor of Boston, are prevented getting Subsistence for themselves & Families —

Voted, That the Town Clerk be directed to transmit an attested Copy of the above Vote of Thanks to the Town of Windham —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Thursday the 19th. of July instant, 9 O'Clock Forenoon —

May Meeting Adjournment

Thursday July 19th. 9 O'Clock A.M. Met according to Adjournment —

Voted, That the Sum of Eight Thousand Pounds be raised by a Tax upon Polls & Estates within this Town, for Relief of the poor & defraying other necessary Charges arising within the Town the ensuing Year —

Voted, That the Sum of One Hundred & Twenty Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. John Lovel for his Salary as Master of the South Grammar School for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to Commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of One hundred & Twenty Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. Samuel Hunt for his Salary, as Master of the North Grammar School, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to Commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. James Carter, for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in Queen-Street, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

[526.] Voted, That the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. Samuel Holbrook for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in the Common the Year ensuing the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to Commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. James Tileston, for his Salary, as Master of the North Writing School, the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, and to Commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of Sixty Pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. James Lovel, for his Salary, as Usher of the South Grammar School, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, that the further Sum of Forty pounds be allowed & paid unto Mr. James Lovel, as Encouragement for him to remain & exert himself in the service of the Town the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of Fifty Pounds, be allowed & paid unto Mr. Abiah Holbrook, for his Salary, as Usher of the Writing School in Queen-Street, the ensuing Year the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, and to commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the Sum of Forty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. William Doll for his Salary, as Usher of the writing School, at the North Part of the Town the ensuing Year, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to Commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

[527.] Voted, That the Sum of Thirty four Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook, Master of the Writing School in the Common, for providing an Assistant the Year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence at the Expiration of the last Quarter —

Voted, That the further Sum of Sixteen pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook, Master of the Writing School in the Common for procuring further Help, untill an Usher can be provided for him

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds (besides the Thirty Pounds already granted him) be allowed & paid out of the Town Treasury, unto M^r. David Jeffries as Treasurer of the Town, the Year past, & for all his Expences in that Office. —

Upon a Motion made by M^r. Samuel Holbrook he was allowed to withdraw his Petition.

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to the last Wednesday in August next, being the 31st. — 10 o'Clock forenoon —

July 19th. 11 O'Clock. Town met agreeable to the Adjournment of the Boston Port Bill Meeting —

The Committee on Ways & Means Reported verbally, that they had been considering of the best Methods to Employ the Poor; & informed the Town, "That the building a Wharff from the South End, leading to Dorchester Neck, & a House or Two on the Town's Lands, at that Part of the Town was what they thought might be of Service: That they had other Proposals to make in some future Time; but that for the present, the Committee desired the Sense of the Town, with Respect to the Expediency of employing a Number of Inhabitants now out of Employ, in Carrying on a Wharff" —

It having been moved, that the Committee on Ways & Means for Employing the Poor, have Liberty to build any Wharff or Dam upon the Town's Land at the South End — "It was

[528.] Voted, That the Committee appointed to distribute the several Donations that may be made for the Relief & Employments of such Persons, as are Sufferers by means of the Port-Bill, have leave to build a Wharff upon the Town's Lands & Flatts (adjoining to Curtis & May's Land) not exceeding 200 feet at present, from High Water Mark; or if M^r. Cobb will give his Flatts, with a sufficient Passage Way of 28 feet from the Street, without a Consideration, that the Committee have Leave to carry it from the said Cobb's, provided they shall think it more advantageous.

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 O'Clock P.M. Met according to Adjournment

It having been represented by Two of the Gentlemen Overseers, that they could not discharge their Duty, as a Committee on Ways

& Means, by Reason of their other Business, & the Sickness of some of their Body — It was moved, & the Question accordingly put — That the Overseers be discharged from the Duty assigned them, as a Committee on Ways & Means," which passed in the Affirmative —

A Motion made, that an Addition may now be made to the Committee on Ways & Means — passed in the Affirmative. —

Voted, that fourteen Gentlemen be the Addition and that they be chose by Ballot. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Choice of Gentlemen for the Committee on Ways & Means, be referred to 7 o'Clock in the Evening, & that a Committee of 24 Gentlemen, Six of whom to be from the North, twelve from the middle, & Six from the South, part of the Town, be appointed to consider of a proper List to be proposed to the Town for this Addition to the Committee on Ways & Means —

Voted that Captain Edward Procter

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Capl. Fortesque Vernon

M^r. Alexander Hill

M^r. Paul Reviere

Capl. William Mackay

M. John White

M^r. William Whitwel

M. Edward Payne

D^r. John Greanleaf

M^r. John Brown

M^r. Isaac Peirce

D^r. Joseph Warren

Benj^r. Austin Esq.

M^r. Daniel Waldo

John Scollay Esq.

M^r. Oliver Wendell

Capt. Samuel Partridge

M^r. Peter Boyer

Major Tho^s. Daws

Tho^s. Crafts jun^r.

William Lowder

M^r. John Preston

M^r. Samuel May

Joshua Henshaw jun^r.

be a Committee for the foregoing Purpose. —

Moved & seconded that the Vote passed in the Morning, relative to a Wharff being built, be reconsidered and the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative —

It was moved & Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to call a Meeting on Tuesday the 22^d. instant, 10 o'Clock A.M. to consider of such Propossals as may be made by the Committee on Ways & Means, or on any other Proposals relative to the present Exigency of our Affairs.

The Committee to prepare a List for an Addition to the Committee on Ways & means having Reported — Voted, that

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Capt. Fortesque Vernon
 M^r. Edward Procter
 M^r. John White
 M^r. Gibbins Sharp
 Capt. William Mackay
 M^r. Thomas Greenleaf
 Capt. Samuel Partridge
 Benj^a. Austin Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 M^r. John Brown
 M^r. James Richardson
 M^r. Tho^s. Crafts jun^r.
 M^r. Henry Hill
 Joshua Henshaw jun^r.

Be the Co^mittee on Ways & Means in Addition to the Eleven Gentlemen before chosen. —

Voted, That M^r. David Jeffries be added to this Committee on Ways & Means, and that he be the Treasurer of said Committee.

— Also

Voted, that Five Gentlemen of this Co^mittee be a *quorum*.

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that

M^r. Samuel Adams
 Josiah Quincy Esq.
 John Adams Esq.
 D^r. Benj^a. Church
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 D^r. Thomas Young
 Rev^d. Charles Chauncy D. D.
 Rev^d. Samuel Matuer D. D.
 The Hon^{ble}. Tho^s. Cushing Esq.
 D^r. Charles Jarvis

Be a Co^mittee to consider & Report a Declaration to be made by this Town to Great Britain & all the World. —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday the 26 of July instant, 9 O'Clock A.M. —

Tuesday July 26th. 9 o'Clock forenoon met according to Adjournment of Port Bill Meeting —

Whereas a Vote was passed this Meeting, Viz^t on the 12. day of June 1774 whereby the following Gentlemen, Viz^t.

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M^r. Samuel Adams
 John Rowe Esq.
 Thomas Boylston Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 John Adams Esq.
 Josiah Quincy Esq.
 Thomas Cushing Esq.
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 M^r. William Mollineux
 M^r. Nathaniel Appleton

were appointed to take the several Proposals that have been made, relative to our Conduct in the present Exigency into Consideration & report —

And at an Adjournment of the former Meeting, Viz^t., on the 17 day of June 1774, the following Vote was passed Viz^t., That all Grants & Donations to this Town, & the poor thereof at this distressed Season, be paid & delivered into the Hands of the Overseers of the poor in this Town, & by them appropriated & distributed in Concert with the Committee lately appointed by this Town for the Consideration of Ways & Means of Employing the poor. —

And at a further Adjournment of the same Meeting viz^t. on the 19th. day of July instant, the Overseers of the poor, for Reasons offered by them, did desire to be discharged from farther services, touching the Receiving & Distributing Donations, as above mentioned, & the Town did then Vote that

Capt. Fortesque Vernon

Capt. Edward Procter

M^r. John White

M^r. Gibbins Sharp

Capt. Will^m. Mackay

M^r. Tho^s. Greenough

Capt. Samuel Partridge

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

M^r. John Brown

M^r. James Richardson

M^r. Thomas Crafts jun^r.

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M^r. Henry Hill

M^r. Joshua Henshaw jun^r. &

M^r. David Jeffries

be added to the first named Committee — therefore — Voted, that the Gentlemen, whose Names are aftermention'd Viz^t.

M^r. Samuel Adams

John Rowe Esq.

M^r. Tho^s. Boylston Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

John Adams Esq.

Josiah Quincy Esq.

Tho^s. Cushing Esq.

M^r. Henderson Inches

M^r. Will^m. Mollineux

M^r. Nath^l. Appleton

Capt. Fortesque Vernon

Capt. Edward Procter

M^r. John White

M^r. Gibbins Sharp

Capt. Will^m. Mackay

M^r. Tho^s. Greenough

Capt. Samuel Partridge

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason
 M^r. John Brown
 M^r. James Richardson
 M^r. Tho^s. Crafts jun^r.
 M^r Henry Hill
 M^r. Joshua Henshaw jun^r.
 M^r. David Jeffries

Be & hereby are appointed the Committee to receive all Donations that have been, or may be made for the Employment or Relief of such Inhabitants of this Town, as may be Sufferers for Want of Employment in their several Occupations, by means of the Act of the British Parliament for shutting up the Harbour of Boston, & to appropriate, improve or distribute the same for the Purpose aforesaid, according to their best Discretion; the said Committee to be accountable to the Town. —

[533.] Voted, That all Matters and Things which remain unfinished be referred over to the next Meeting. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Tuesday the 26 day of July, 10 o'Clock forenoon A. D. 1774.

Warrant for Calling the Meeting read —

M^r. Samuel Adams Moderator.

That Article of the Warrant, Viz^t., "To determine on the Expediency of appointing a Committee of Seven by Ballot for the Purpose of Consulting proper Measures to be adopted for the common Safety, during these Exigencies of our public Affairs, which may reasonably be expected, when the Acts of the British Parliament, altering the Course of Justice, and annihilating our free Constitution, shall be enforced in the Province; the Committee to make Report" — was read, & after some Debate, the Question was put — "Whether it be the Mind of the Town, that a Committee of Seven Men be now appointed by Ballot for the Purpose of Considering of proper Measures to be adopted for the Common Safety, during those Exigencies of our Public Affairs, which may reasonably be expected, when the Acts of the British Parliament, altering the Course of Justice & annihilating our free Constitution, shall be enforced in the Province; the Committee to make Report" — Passed in the Affirmative —

The Inhabitants were then directed to withdraw & bring in their Votes for said Committee, & upon sorting them it appeared that

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The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

John Adams Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

Josiah Quincy Esq.

were chose a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider of what Meas-

ures are right & proper for the Town to adopt at this Time, relative to the same Act of the British Parliament — were read & considered, whereupon Voted, that

Josiah Quincy Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams - - - - - excused

Joseph Greenleaf Esq.

William Phillips Esq.

Be a Committee forthwith to draw up & report for the Consideration of this Town, a Letter to be sent to the other Towns, relative to the Two Bills for altering the Constitution of this Province —

That Article in the Warrant Viz'. "To take the Sense of the Town, relative to the Building One or more Houses, building one or more Vessels, repairing or paving the public Streets, erecting, or enlarging Wharves on the Town's Land, or any other public Work (to be carried on by means arising from Voluntary Donations) for the Employment of the poor of the Town of Boston, at this Time of general Calamity" — was read & considered; whereupon the Question was put — Whether the Town do approve of the Methods expressed in the Warrant for the Employment of those who may be suffering by the Port Bill, & do give Leave to the Committee appointed to consider of Ways & Means for that Purpose: to employ Persons in erecting or enlarging Wharves, building Vessels and Houses on the Town's Lands, or doing any other Work or Business, which they shall judge prudent or necessary; [535.] The same to be carried on by Monies arising from voluntary Donations" — Passed in the Affirmative unanimously —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz'. "To consider whether the Town will sell any, & what Part of the real Estate belonging to the Town, lying within the Limits thereof" — was read, & after some Debate, it was moved, & Voted, that this Article of the Warrant be passed over, & referred to some future Time for Consideration —

The Committee to prepare a Letter to be sent to the other Towns, relative to the Two Bills for altering the Constitution of this Province, Reported a Draught, which was accepted Paragraph by Paragraph, and is as follows, Viz',
Friends & Brethren,

Our public Calamities have, for a Series of Years, been encreasing, both in Number & Weight. We have endeavoured under all our public Misfortunes, to conduct as good Citizens in a COMMON CAUSE. Being stationed by Providence in the Front Rank of the Conflict, it hath been our Aim to behave with Vigilance, Activity & Firmness — To warn our Brethren of approaching Danger, to encounter with becoming Spirit the Trials of our Patience, hath been our Aim & our Duty. Our Friends & generous Countrymen have given us Reason to think we have not altogether failed in our honest Endeavours in the Way of this Duty.

Two Acts of Parliament, altering the Course of Justice & annihilating our free Constitution of Government, are every day expected.

When we consider the Conduct of our late worthy House of Rep-

representatives, relative to our Superior Court Judges, & their Impeachment of the Hon^{ble} Peter Oliver Esq. for his accepting a Salary from the Crown, in his Office of Chief Justice, & when we consider the uniform Spirit and Conduct of the several Grand Jurors tho' the Province, [536.] Touching the same Grievances since that Impeachment; we cannot but suppose the aforementioned Acts will bring on a most important & decisive Trial —

You, Gentlemen, our Friends, Countrymen & Benefactors. may possibly look towards us at this great Crisis. We trust that we shall not be left of Heaven to do any thing derogatory to our Common Liberties, unworthy the Fame of our Ancestors, or inconsistent with our former Professions & Conduct —

Though surrounded with a large Body of armed Men (who having the Sword have also our Blood in their Hands) we are yet undaunted; we trust in the God of our Fathers, & we feel the animating Support of a good Cause; but which suffering the double Weight of Oppression & exasperated by a military Camp in the very Bowels of our Town, our Minds are not more in a Temper to DELIBERATE, than our Bodies in a situation to *move*, as the Perils & Exigencies of the Times may probably demand.

To you, Gentlemen, our Brethren & dear Companions in the Cause of God & our Country we apply, from you we have received that Countenance & Aid, which has strengthened our Hands, & that Bounty, which has occasioned Smiles on the Face of Distress. To you, therefore, we look for that *Wisdom, Advice & Example* which, giving Strength to our Understandings & Vigor to our Actions, shall with the Blessing of God save us from Destruction.

Looking up to Heaven, and, under Divine Direction, to our Brethren in the Country & on the Continent, for Aid & Support, & with earnest Prayers for a happy Issue out of our Great Troubles, we are,

Your Friends & Brethren,

The Inhabitants of Boston, Upon a Motion made, Voted, that a printed Copy of the following Letter to our Brethren in the several Towns & Districts in the Province be forthwith signed by the Town Clerk, & transmitted by the Committee of Correspondence, in the Name & Behalf of the Town. —

Adjourned to Tuesday the 9th of August, 10 o'Clock Forenoon. —

[537.] August 9th 1774 — 10 o'Clock forenoon — Met According to Adjournment.

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

The Committee on Ways & Means for employing the Poor; & receiving & aplying the Donations that have & may be made them at this distressing Season, Reported verbally, "That it was their Opinion, that the poor of our Sister Town of Charlestown, were suffering with us, under the Operation of the Boston Port Bill, ought to share with our poor in those Donations" — upon which it was moved, & the Question accordingly put, "Whether our Sister Town of Charlestown is equitably intitled to a certain part of the Donations that are & may be received for the Employ-

ment & Relief of such Persons as are Sufferers by the Operation of the Boston Port Bill, which passed in the Affirmative, unanimously — also moved that whereas the Town of Charlestown have had an Encouragement from the Committee on Ways & Means, that they were to receive seven p Cent out of the Donations mentioned above, said Committee may now accordingly be directed to apply for their Relief out of said Donations, in the Proportion of seven p Cent — and the Question being put, passed in the Affirmative —

The Committee on Ways & Means, reported further, That they had thought it expedient to erect a House at the South Part of the Town, on the Town's Land, for the Employment of Tradesmen, & now out of Work, provided the Town will furnish the Materials wanted for such a Building, upon Condition, that the Committee on Ways & Means defray the whole Amount of the Labour, out of the Donations they have received." Upon which it was moved, that the Report be accepted, & that the Town give their Consent, that the Committee should erect such a Building on the Land as was proposed, & that the Town Treasurer be directed to borrow upon Interest the Money necessary to purchase said Materials — & the Question being put — Passed in the Negative

It was moved & seconded, that a Committee be now appointed to make Appraisalment of the Land at the South End, upon which a House had been proposed to be erected; and [538.] That the Committee on Ways & Means might have said Land at the appraised Value for the Purpose aforesaid — and the Question being put — Passed in the Negative —

It having been suggested, as probable, that some Towns in the Country were about applying for a Meeting of Deputies from the several Towns in the County, — It was moved that some Measures might be taken for appointing Deputies, in Case a County Meeting should be called; whereupon Voted, That the Committee of Correspondence for this Town be, & hereby are appointed & directed to choose a Committee to attend the County Congress, — provided Application should be made for that Purpose

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Selectmen be added to the Committee now chosen, to appoint suitable Persons for the County Congress, in Case Application should be made for that Purpose — Also

Voted, that this Committee consist of five Persons.

Adjourned to the last Tuesday in October next, 10 O'Clock A.M.

At an Ajourment of the May Meeting Tuesday August 30th. 1774. 10 O'Clock Before Noon.

A Motion was made & seconded that a Moderator for this Meeting be chose by a Hand Vote in the Room of M^r. Sam^l. Adams now attending the Congress. —

John Scollay Esq. was unanimously chosen a Moderator in the Room of M^r. Adams now absent. —

The Committee chosen by the Town were not ready to make their Report, at this Meeting, though called upon for this Purpose.

A Motion was made & seconded — " That the Sense of the Town

be taken, Whether the Committee on Ways & Means for employing the Poor, be allowed & impowered [539.] If they shall judge it proper, to lay out a Brick Yard on Boston Neck for the making of Bricks — and the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affirmative

A Motion was made that a Vote passed the 4th. of July last, for not reconsidering a Vote passed the 13th. of May, appointing a Committee to consider the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants, “That a public Well may be dug, & a Pump fixt upon Dock Square, for the farther Preservation of the Town from Fire, & the Accomodation of the Inhabitants in that Neighbourhood with Water,” which Committee was ordered to make Report at next March Meeting; be now reconsidered — & the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative — also

Voted, that the Committee appointed to consider of Ways & Means for employing the Poor of this Town, now out of Business by the Operation of the Port Bill, so called, be allowed & impowered to make such an Agreement with the Petitioners for a Well to be dug on Dock Square, as said Committee may apprehend to be for the Advantage of the Town.

Upon a Motion made, that there be a short Adjournment of this Meeting, in Order to receive the Report of a Committee, now subsisting, to judge of the Expediency of filling up the Dock, &c.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday the 13th of Sept. next 10 o’Clock before noon — and the Meeting was accordingly adjourned —

At an Adjournment of the May Meeting September 13th. 1774, 10 o’Clock forenoon —

John Scollay Esq. chosen Moderator Pro Tempore of this Meeting, being now out of Town, it was moved, and

[540.] Voted, That the Town proceed to the Choice of a Moderator Pro Tempore. —

Moved & Voted, that the Choice of a Moderat^r. pro. temp. be by a hand Vote.

Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq. was chose a Moderator during the Absence of the other Moderator —

The Chairman of the Committee appointed to consider the Expediency of filling up the Town Dock, Reported verbally, that they were not yet able to make a full Report, & as John Ruddock Esq. is now dead, they pray the Town that another Gentleman may be appointed in his Room. —

The Question being put, viz^t. “Whether the Town will make any Addition to the Committee on filling up the Dock — Passed in the Affirmative —

M^r. Joshua Blanchard was added to the Committee relative to Dock Square in the Room of John Ruddock Esq. deceased. —

Voted, That the foregoing Committee be desired to report to the Town; as may be convenient. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to the last Tuesday in September next 9 O’Clock A.M. being 21th. Day —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duely qualified, & legally warned, in public Town

Meeting assembled at Fanueil Hall on Wednesday the 25th. Day of September Anno Domini 1774 —

Prayer was made by the Reverend D^r. Mather —

The Precept & Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

Sundry Laws read —

[541.] John Scollay Esq. Chairman of the Selectmen proposed in their Names to the Inhabitants assembled, to proceed to the Choice of One or more Persons to represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly to be holden on the 5th. day of October next; & in order there to consider & ascertain the number of Gentlemen to be Elected, accordingly it was Voted, to proceed to the Choice of four Representatives; & then it was declared by the Selectmen, that no Votes will be received but such as are unfolded & that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock —

The Votes being brought in for four Representatives, the Number of the same were found to be three Hundred & Sixty Two, & upon sorting them it appeared, that the four following Gentlemen were chosen Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. - - - - - 362

M^r. Samuel Adams - - - - - 361

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. - - - - - 362

William Philips Esq. - - - - - 362

The Choice of Representatives being over & declared by the Selectmen; the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, & bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant: Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, & brought in their Votes, & upon sorting them it appeared, that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen unanimously

That Article in the Warrant viz^t. "To consider what Instructions shall be given to the Gentlemen that may be chosen to represent them in the said General Assembly," — was read whereupon it was moved, & the Question accordingly put, Whether it is the sense of the Town, that Instructions be given to the Gentlemen chosen to represent this Metropolis — which passed in the Negative —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

[542.] 3 O'Clock P.M. Met according to Adjournment

The Article in the Warrant viz^t. "To choose four Collectors of Taxes in the Room of the late Collectors, who decline serving" — was read — and after some Debate —

Voted, That the Consideration of the Choice of Collectors of Taxes, in the Room of those who decline serving, shall subsist for the present —

A Motion made that a Number of Resolves respecting a Provincial Congress, handed in to the Town might be now read & considered & the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Negative —

Moved & seconded, that the Vote passed in the Morning for not

Instructing the Gentlemen chosen to represent this Town, be now reconsidered, & after considerable Debate on the Motion —

Voted, that the farther Consideration thereof be referred till Tomorrow afternoon 3 O'Clock —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned till Tomorrow 3 O'Clock Afternoon —

Thursday September the 22^d. Town met according to Adjournment —

The Motion for reconsidering the Vote passed for not Instructing the Gentlemen chosen to represent us, again taken up, & the Question being put — Whether said Vote shall be reconsidered, passed in the Affirmative —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider what Instructions shall be given to the Gentlemen that may be chosen to represent this Town in General Assembly," again read, & after some Debate the Question was put — Whether Instructions shall be given our Representatives, which passed in the Affirmative unanimously. —

[543.] Voted, That D^r. Joseph Warren
D^r. Benjamin Church
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
M^r. John Pitts —

Be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare Instructions for our Representatives, the same to be Reported —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, That Three Persons be now appointed & impowered, in Addition to our four Representatives, to our four Representatives, to join with the Members who may be sent from the Neighbouring Towns in the Province, at a Time to be agreed on, in a General Provincial Congress, to act upon such Matters, as may then come before them, in such a manner as shall appear to them most conducive to the true Interest of this Town & Province, & most likely to preserve the Liberties of all America. —

The Inhabitants were then directed to withdraw, & bring in their Votes for three Persons accordingly; & the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared that the following Gentlemen.

Viz^t. D^r. Joseph Warren
D^r. Benjamin Church
M^r. Nathaniel Appleton =

were chosen Members of the Provincial Congress for the Purpose aforesaid —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Committee appointed to prepare Instructions for our Representatives, be directed to set immediatly, & Report as soon as possible. —

The Committee appointed to prepare Instructions for our Representatives reported the following Draught, which was accepted by the Town — Viz^t.

To the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
M^r. Samuel Adame
The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
William Phillips Esq.

Gentlemen,

As we have now chosen you to represent us in the Great & General Court, to be holden at Salem, on Wednesday, the 5th. Day of October next ensuing, we do hereby instruct you, that in all your Doings, as Members of the House of Representatives, you adhere firmly to the Charter of this Province, granted by their Majesties King William & Queen Mary, & that you do no act, - - - - - which can possibly be construed into an Acknowledgment of the Act of the British Parliament, for altering the Government of Massachusetts' Bay; more especially that you acknowledge the Hon^{ble}. Board of Counsellors, elected by the General Court at their Sessions in May last, as the only rightful & constitutional Council of this Province. — And, as we have Reason to believe that a Conscientious Discharge of your Duty will produce your Dissolution, as an House of Representatives — We do hereby impower & instruct you to join with the Members, who may be sent from this & the Neighbouring Towns in the Province, & to meet with them on a time to be agreed on, in a General Provincial Congress, to act upon such Matters, as may come before you, in such a manner, as shall appear to you most conducive to the true Interest of this Town & Province, & most likely to preserve the Liberties of all America —

Voted, That this Meeting be dissolved and it was accordingly dissolved. —

At an Adjournment of the May Meeting, Tuesday October the 25th. 1774 — 9 O'Clock before Noon. —

John Scollay Esq^r. pro Temp. Moderator of this Meeting, being by Reason of Indisposition prevented giving [545.] His Attendance, & Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq. the other pro Temp. Moderator, being out of Town, a Motion was made & passed that another Gentleman be chosen by a Hand Vote —

William Phillips Esq.

was accordingly chosen Moderator of this Meeting, during the Absence of the other Gentlemen —

A Motion made & carried, that an Overseer of the Poor be now chosen in the Room of William White Esq. deceased —

The Town brought in their Votes accordingly & upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. John White

was unanimously chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the Remainder of the Year. —

The Committee appointed to consider of the Expediency of filling up the Dock &c. acquainted the Town, that they were desirous of a farther Time for making their Report — Whereupon it was Voted, that a farther Time be accordingly allowed them, & that they be desired to make Report at the Adjournment —

M^r. James Foster Condy

was chosen a Clerk of the Market for the Remainder of the Year, in the Room of M^r. John Smith, lately removed out of this Town. —

A Motion made & seconded, that when this meeting shall be

adjourned, it may be to the first Wednesday in December next, 9 O'Clock before Noon. —

Voted, that this Meeting be accordingly adjourned to Wednesday the seventh Day of December next ensuing, 9 O'Clock A. M.

At an Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting Tuesday October 25th. 1774. 10 O'Clock before Noon. —

[546.] Mr. Samuel Adams, the Moderator of this Meeting being now at the Continental Congress, it was moved that a Pro. Temp. Moderator be now chosen by a Hand Vote —

William Phillips Esq.

was accordingly chosen Moderator of this Meeting Pro. Tem.

A Motion made that some Method may be pursued to prevent Bickerings & Disputes with the Troops in this Town during the Winter, & such Insults as have been given the Inhabitants by the Soldiery, at Boston Neck & Chalestown Ferry — and after some Debates the following Votes were Passed — Viz^t.

Whereas Affrays may happen, by Reason of the Soldiers being quartered in this Town, and the Inhabitants are desirous to preserve Peace & good Order — therefore Voted, that a Co^mittee be appointed to wait upon the Governor to consult upon such Ways & Means, as are not likely to procure this desirable Effect, & to report as soon as may be —

Voted, that William Phillips Esq.

Mr. James Richardson

Mr. Jonathan Mason

Mr. William Whitwel

Mr. Samuel Partridge

John Scollay Esq.

Thomas Marshall Esq.

be a Co^mittee to wait upon the Governor for the Purpose aforesaid —

On a Motion made, that Ten Persons be added to the Co^mittee to consider of Ways & Means for employing the poor Sufferers by the Operation of the Boston Port Bill, so called.

Voted, that Mr. Daniel Waldo

Mr. William Whitwell

[547.] Capt. John Pulling

Mr. Peter Boyer

Mr. Samuel May

Mr. John Avery jun^r.

Mr. William Boardman

Mr. John Soley

Cap^t. Nehemiah Soames

Mr. John Preston

be & hereby are added to the Co^mittee on Ways & Means for supplying the Poor

On a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday next, being the 1st. Day of November 10 O'Clock forenoon —

At an Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting Tuesday November 1st 10 O'Clock before Noon

The Committee appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, Reported, That they had had a Conference with the Governor agreeable to the Vote of the Town, who declared he was ready to do every thing in his Power to promote the Peace and Good Order of the Town

After considerable Debate, it was moved, and the Question accordingly put — Whether the Report shall be accepted & it passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Thursday next 8 O'Clock Afternoon —

At an Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting Thursday November 3^d. 1774 — 3 O'Clock Afternoon —

A Motion made & the Question accordingly put, Whether a Committee shall be appointed to take into Consideration, what are the proper Ways & Means to secure the Peace & good Order of the Town — Which passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that William Phillips Esq. Moderator

John Scollay Esq.

[548.] The Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Timothy Newell

Thomas Marshall Esq.

M^r. Samuel Austin

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

D^r. Joseph Warren

D^r. Benjamin Church

M^r. Thomas Boylston

Be, & hereby are appointed a Committee, to consider & report at the Adjournment, what are the proper Ways and Means to secure the Peace & good Order of the Town —

Voted, That this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next, 8 O'Clock Afternoon —

At an Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting — Thursday November 3^d. 1774, 3 O'Clock Afternoon —

The Committee appointed to take into Consideration what are the proper Ways & Means to secure the Peace & good Order of the Town, Reported as follows, Viz^t. —

Whereas sundry Regiments of his Majesty's Troops are, contrary to Law, & to the great Annoyance & Detriment of his Majesty's good Subjects of this Province, now stationed in the Town of Boston, in a Time of profound Peace, for the avowed Purpose of carrying into Execution, sundry Acts of the British Parliament, tending to enslave the People, & to subvert the Constitution of this Province, which it is our Duty to protest against upon all Occasions, yet nevertheless, we, the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, in Town Meeting legally assembled, — taking into serious Consideration, the distressed Circumstances of this Metropolis, & being anxious still to use our best Endeavours to preserve that Decency & Order, for which the Town has ever been remarkable; relying on the Justice of our Cause [549.] And confiding in the united Endeavors of the Colonies, the Wisdom of the Continental Congress, the Justice & Clemency of our Sovereign, & the

Smiles of Divine Providence, that our Grievances, will shortly be redressed, & our unalienable & precious Rights, Liberties and Privileges, be restored & secured to us, upon a Just & permanent Basis — Therefore we recommend, That as his Excellency the Governor has assured the Town, that he will do all in his Power to secure the Peace & good Order of the Town;

That the Town on their Part will exert their best Endeavors to effect the same desirable Purpose, & to this End would augment the Town Watch to the Number of Twelve Men in each Watch; and it is recommended to the Selectmen, that they increase the Watch to the Number of Twelve Men in each Watch House, for the security & Safety of the Inhabitants, & that they be directed to Patrole the Streets of the Town for the whole Night the Winter Season —

And, it is earnestly desired that his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, & other Peace-Officers, would exert their Authority for the Observance of the Laws, & Preservation of Peace & Order; & that when they hear of any Disturbance, they would not wait for a Complaint but call on the Inhabitants, who will at all Times be ready in assisting to disperse such Persons, or of bringing Offenders, of what Sort or Rank whatsoever to Justice. —

As in our present Situation, it is incumbent on us particularly to attend to the Peace & good Order of the Town, it is therefore earnestly recommended to the Inhabitants to do all in their Power to prevent or suppress any Quarrels or Disturbances — And it is seriously recommended to all Masters of Families, that they restrain their Children & Servants from going abroad after Nine O'Clock in the Evening, unless on necessary Business — And it is farther recommended to the Selectmen of the Town to enjoin upon all Retailers & Taverns of the Town, that they strictly conform to the Laws of the Province relating to disorderly Persons —

WILLIAM PHILLIPS, p Order

[550.] The foregoing Report having been read, and considered Paragraph by Paragraph, the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that a Committee be now appointed to wait upon his Excellency the Governor, & to acquaint him, that the Town, on their part, being disposed to do their utmost to preserve Peace and good Order, have come into such Resolutions, as they apprehend conducive to so happy a Purpose. —

Voted, that John Scollay Esq.

The Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Timothy Newell

Thomas Marshall Esq.

M^r. Samuel Austin

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. James Pitts

D^r. Joseph Warren

D^r. Benj^r. Church

M^r. Thomas Boylston

William Phillips Esq. Moderator

be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid — also

Voted, that the foregoing Committee be & they hereby are instructed to confer with the Governor upon such Matters as have been mentioned by Dr Church in this Meeting —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to give Orders for the Lighting of the Lamps, when they shall think it proper. —

Voted, that a Committee be now chosen to procure Subscriptions for the Purpose of Lighting of the Town Lamps.

[551.] On a Motion made, Voted, that the above Vote respecting Subscriptions for lighting the Lamps be reconsidered

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday December 7th 10 o'Clock A. M. —

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, legally warned, at Faneuil Hall, December 7th 1774, by Adjournment of the May Meeting from October 25th —

The former Moderator being absent a Motion was made & carried for choosing a Moderator Pro Tempore by a hand Vote —

Jonathan Williams Esq.

was chosen Moderator, Pro Tempore of this Meeting.

Upon a Motion made, the Vote which passed at a former Meeting, relative to Beacon Hill was read & considered

The Town Treasurer attended by Order of the Town, & being asked, Whether the Bonds of Submission relative to the Dispute with Mr. Hudson, about a Supposed Encroachments on Beacon Hill, had been executed he informed the Town that those Bonds had not been executed —

A Motion made by James Otis Esq. relative to Faneuil Hall, after some Debate, upon the Gentleman's own Motion he had Leave to withdraw it —

A Motion was made & seconded, that upon Account of the present Difficulties of Collecting the Town Taxes, that the School master & Town Clerk, shall be allowed Interest on the Sums they shall have Draughts for, until they shall have received Payment; but the Town Treasurer being present, & acquainting the Town, that by a former Vote the Schoolmasters were allowed Interest, the Motion was withdrawn. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted that the Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is directed & empowered to give his Negative Vote on Interest to the Town Clerk, for such Sums as he shall have a Warrant upon the Treasury for, for Services done —

[552.] The Town were informed, that the Collectors of Taxes for the present Year had declined qualifying themselves agreeable to a Vote of the Town, & refused taking the Books from the Assessors upon the usual Terms — After considerable Debate upon this Matter; — It was the Sense of the Town that Nothing farther should be said at this Time. —

Whereas the Town, at their Meeting on the 4th. of July last, agreed with Mr. Hudson to submit the Disputes respecting Beacon Hill, & Arbitrators were mutually chosen to issue the Matter in Dispute, by the 5th. of September last, & the said Term being elapsed; 'tis now mutually agreed between the Town & Mr. Hudson,

that the same Matters may be taken up by the said Arbitrators, & awarded as soon as may be —

The Committee relative to Dock Square informed the Town, that they were not yet able to Report at this Meeting —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M. —

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment

The Committee relative to filling up the Dock having Reported in the forenoon, that they were not ready to make Report, had Leave to sit again, & said Committee are directed to take such Affidavits as they may think necessary.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, 9 O'Clock forenoon — and the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.

Boston ss.

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At a Meeting of His Majestys Justices of the Peace dwelling in the Town of Boston & the Selectmen of said Town June 17th. 1773. —

Whereas a considerable number of the Freeholders & Other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston did by their Petition to the Justices & Selectmen in said Town set forth that the greatest part of the Lands from Ann Street to Middle Street whereby the Fire which happened in Boston [553.] on the 3 Day of February 1767 became desolate & vacant; thay Paddys Alley so called which runs through those Lands tho', very narrow was from its situation extremely beneficial & useful to the said Inhabitants & that scarce any Street in Town was more improved than said Alley and that it was absolutely necessary to have a way there: The Petitioners therefore prayed that a commodious Street there should be laid and not only for the convenience of the Town but also that such of the Inhabitants as were burnt out might be encouraged to Rebuild, and upon consideration of the Premisses said Justices and Selectmen on the sixteenth Day of April Anno Dom. 1767 laid out a new Street accordingly, but the same as then laid out being found to be prejudicial to numbers of Persons & Inconvenient for the publick, before a Jury was Appointed to Assess damages &c; upon a Representation thereof made to the General Court at their Session in January last said Court by an Act then passed did set Aside & disannul what was done by the Justices and Selectmen relative to the laying out of said new Street on the sixteenth Day of April 1767 and by said Act & another Act passed by said General Court at their Session in May last did give power to the Justices in said Town together with the Selectmen or a major part of each Assenting thereto to state & lay out a new Street of twenty feet in weth from Ann Street to Middle Street beginging at Ann Street & so running up Paddys Alley to the Brick Wall on the Easterly end of M^r. Gedneys Land in said Alley and no further, — and said Justices & Selectmen are also impowered by the last of said Acts to lay out said Street of a greater weth than twenty Feet in or near the middle part thereof if they should Judge, it more convenient — Whereupon We Edmund Quincy, John Hill, Belcher Noyes, Arnold Wells, Joseph Gardner, John Avery, John Tudor, & Samuel Pemberton, being a major part of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace for the County aforesaid dwelling in the Town of Boston, And we

John Scollay, John Hancock, Timothy Newell, & Thomas Marshall, being a Major part of the Selectmen of said Town having carefully viewed the said Alley and the Land made desolate & vacant by said Fire & duly considered of the Premises have for the conveniency and accomodation of that place and of the Inhabitants aforesaid pursuant to the Power given us in & by the Acts aforesaid Stated & laid out and Established a New Street through the vacant and desolate Lands aforesaid including the aforesaid Alley in Manner following viz'. beginning at the North Easterly Corner of the Brick Tenement, or [554.] (Ell, so called) belonging to the Heirs of M^r. Meriam Tyler deceased fronting on said Ann Street and from thence running on said Street to the North East Corner of the Brick House belonging to the Heirs or Assigns of Cap^t. William Fletcher deceased measuring on said Ann Street including Paddys Alley aforesaid twenty feet, and from said Ann Street it runs towards the Westward One hundred & thirty three feet of the wedth of twenty feet, and from thence it widens until it comes abreast of or opposite to Cap^t. Robert Balls Gate where said New Street is twenty three feet Six Inches in wedth, and from thence on said Opposet side it runs narrowing till it comes to said Gedneys Brick Wall where it ends on this side & is thereof the wedth of twenty feet, and then said Street is but fourteen feet wide and from thence continues on a line with said Gedneys Dwelling houses & Lands, somewhat bevelling till it comes to Middle Street where it is but twelve feet wide, on the Opposite or South-westerly side, said new Street runs from Ann Street beginning at the North East Corner of said Fletchers Brick House to Middle Street and the Lands bounding thereon belonging to the Heirs or Assigns of said William Fletcher deceased Jonathan Cushing deceased, Cap^t. Robert Ball the Heirs or Assigns of Robert Henry deceased, Joseph Sherburne Esq^r. Thomas Emmons, Asa Stodder, John Briant, and Joseph Jackson, when it comes into Middle Street, And we have laid and set off, the aforesaid Brick Ell, Tenement of said Tyler, and all the Lands of every Person whomsoever included & fallen within the Lines aforesaid into the same new Street to remaine and continue a part & parcel of said New Street forever — In Witness whereof we hereunto set our hands the Seventeenth Day of June Anno Domini 1773 John Scollay, John Hancock, Tim^o. Newell Tho^s. Marshall Selectmen of Boston — Edm. Quincy, John Hill, Belcher Noyes, Arnold Welles, John Avery, Joseph Gardner, John Tudor, Sam^l. Pemberton, Justices of the Peace — Exam^d. William Cooper, Town Clerk.

Suffolk ss.

To Nathaniel Ruggles Esq^r. James Mears, Aaron Davis jun^r. Caleb Howard, Samuel Sumner, Nathaniel Felton, John Greaton jun^r. all of Roxbury, Eleazer Clap & Samuel Topliff of Dorchester, Elisha Gardner, Thomas Aspinwal & Eleazer Baker all of Brookline. and all in the County of Suffolk — Greeting

Whereas in and by an Act made and passed by the Great and [555.] General Court or Assembly of the Province of the Massachusetts Bay held at Boston by Adjournment on the third Day of January last. It was Enacted that it shall be in the Power of the

Justices of the Peace in the Town of Boston together with the Selectmen (or the Major Part of Each Assenting thereto) to state and lay out a Street Way or passage through the Lands in said Act mentioned twenty feet wide from Middle Street so called to Ann Street so called, in said Town as should be most for the Conveniency and Accomodation of the place by extending enlarging, streightening, or otherwise Altering the Street or Lane called Paddys Alley in said Act Mentioned: And that where Any Particular Person or Persons shall have their Lands or Tenements or Any part thereof taken away or leesen'd thereby, A Jury of twelve Men shall be Appointed by two Justices of the Peace and sworn to a certain the Value thereof to be paid by the Person to whose Land the same shall be Added or by the Neighbourhood or Town in proportion to the benefits or Conveniency any shall have thereby, according to their best Skill And understanding; Provided Nevertheless that the two Justices and Jury Aforesaid shall not be Inhabitants of the Town of Boston. And whereas in and by one other Act or the Great & General Court aforesaid made and Passed in their Sessions in May last; in Addition to and explanatory of the afore in Part Recited Act, It was Enacted that said Justices & Selectmen of the Town of Boston, or a Major Part of Each be and they were thereby impowered and directed, as soon as may be to lay out said Street twenty feet in wedth, beginning at Ann Street, and so running up Paddys Alley to the Brick wall on the Eastermost End of the Land of George Broughton Godney in said Alley and no further; And it was further Enacted, that if said Justices and Selectmen, or a Major Part of each, should Judge it more Convenient to have said Street of a greater wedth than twenty feet in or near the middle Part of it, where the Lands are vacant, they were directed and impowered to lay out the same Accordingly, the Act aforesaid notwithstanding, And that in all other Things the Justices Selectmen, Jury and all Persons interested or concerned were to Proceed according to the directions of the aforementioned Act. All which in and by the afore in part recited Acts (reference thereto being had) will more fully Appear. And where as a Major Part of the Justices, and a Major part of the Selectmen, in the Town of Boston aforesaid in pursuance of the afore last mentioned Act, have Staked and laid out a Street including said Alley in manner following Viz^t. beginning at the North East Corner of the Brick Tenement (or Ell so called) belonging to the heirs or Assigns of M^r. Meriam Tyler decēd, Fronting on said Ann Street and from thence running, and [556.] said Street to the Northeast Corner of the Brick house belonging to the Heirs & Assigns of Cap^t. William Fletcher decēd, measuring on said Ann Street including Paddys Alley aforesaid, twenty feet and from said Ann Street it runs towards the Westward One hundred & thirty three feet of the the wedth of twenty feet, and from thence it widens untill it comes abreast of or Opposite to Cap^t. Robert Balls gate where said New Street is twenty three feet six inches in wedth, and from thence on said Opposite side it runs narrowing till it comes to said Gedneys brick wall where it ends on this side and is there of the wedth of twenty feet, and then said Street is but

fourteen feet wide, and from thence continues on a Line with s'd Gedneys Dwelling houses and Lands somewhat bevelling till it comes to Middle Street where it is but twelve feet wide; on the opposite or Southwesterly side, said New Street runs from Ann Street beginning at the Northeast Corner of said Fletchers Brick Dwelling house to Middle Street and the Lands bounding thereon belonging to the Heirs or Assigns of said William Fletcher decēd Jonathan Cushing decēd, Cap'. Robert Ball, the heirs or Assigns of Robert Henry deceased, and William Jepson decēd, Thomas Emmons, Asa Stoddard, John Briant, & Joseph Jackson when it enters into Middle Street, said Justices and Selectmen also laid and Sett off the aforesaid Brick Ell or Tenement of said Tylers, and all the Lands of every Person whomsoever included within the Lines aforesaid into said New Street; to remain and continue A Part and Parcel of the same forever as by the Return made by the Justices dwelling in said Town of Boston, and the Selectmen of said Town preference thereto being had will fully appear.

Pursuant therefore to the Directions of the Acts aforesaid, and by virtue of the Power therein given to us, We the Subscribers, viz'. Nathaniel Hatch of Dorchester and Joseph Williams of Roxbury - - - two of his Majestys Justices of the Peace within and for the County of Suffolk, do hereby Appoint you the said Nathaniel Ruggles Foreman James Mears Aaron Davis Jun'. Caleb Havard Samuel Sumner, Nathaniel Felton, John Greateon Jun'. Ebenezer Clap, Samuel Toplift, Elisha Gardner, Thomas Aspinwal & Eleazer Baker - - - - - A Jury and being first sworn you are to go upon and view the Brick Tenement Lands and Premises that are taken in, and unto the said new Street as stated and laid out by said Justices and Selectmen as aforesaid and to whom they belonged, and you are then to Value and ascertain the Loss and Damages that any Person or Persous their Heirs or Assigns do suffer or Sustain by having their Lands or Tenement taken [557.] away & added to said New Street, and you are to determin by whom such Loss and Damages and also the Costs and Charges Attending the Business Aforesaid) shall be paid, and if you should find that any Person in the Neighbourhood have taken in and Added to their Lands any Part of said Paddys Alley, or you shall Judge the Town of Boston, or the Estate of any Persons in the Neighbourhood of said new Street or near the same will be benefited thereby. You are to Assess said Town, and Persons at their Estates, such a Proportion of said Loss Damages and Charges, as to you shall seem just according to your best skill and Understanding and as soon as you have compleated the same you are to make return hereof with your doings thereon unto Us or one of Us, or to the Selectmen of the Town of Boston aforesaid, that so the same may be Entered with the Records of said Town, and said New Street known for a Publick Street or Highway forever. Given under our hands & Seals at Dorchester the Nineteenth day of July, in the thirteenth year of His Majestys Reign Annoqe Dom; 1773 Nathl. Hatch Jo'. Williams — Note the Parties interested or concern'd are to be present if they see cause — Suffolk s'. Roxbury July 26th. 1773. The aforementioned Nathan-

iel Ruggles, James Mears, Aaran Davis Jun^r. Caleb Howard, Samuel Sumner, Nathaniel Felton, John Greaton J^r. Ebenezer Clap, Samuel Toplift, Elisha Gardner, Thomas Aspinwal & Eleazer Baker, Personally Appeared & made Solemn Oath that they would do and Perform all the several Matters & things they are required & directed to do, in & by the afore written Warrant According to their best Skill and Understanding Before Jo^s. Williams Justice Peace

Exam^d. WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

We the Subscribers a Jury appointed in & by the aforewritten Warrant hereunto annexed; for the Purposes therein mentioned being sworn by Joseph Williams Esq^r. One of his Majestys Justices of the peace went several times upon the Brick Tenement Lands & premisses taken away & added to this New Street by Paddeys Alley so Called in Boston stated & Laid out by the Justices of the Peace & Selectmen of said Town as particularly mentioned in said Warrant & having Notified the Proprietors of said Lands; & heard them as also the Selectmen [558.] of Boston we carefully viewed the same, and find that the Lands & premisses taken from several Persons and Added to said New Street are as follows &^o.

V^s. A large Tenement fronting Easterly upon Ann Street measuring thereon fourteen feet two Inches with a Cellar under the same, and from said Ann Street it runs one hundred & fifty feet Nine Inches to the Westward, of the wedth of fourteen feet two Inches through the Lands now or late belonging to the Heirs or Assigns of M^r. Merriam Tyler dec^d & from thence said New Street runs thro' the Lands of William Scott Sixty Six feet in length, and fourteen feet Six Inches in depth, & from said Scott it runs thro the Lands of Jacob Emmons fifteen feet in length and twenty three feet Six Inches in depth, and from said Emmons land it runs thro' the Land of William Simpkins two feet in length including one half of a private Way or Passage way that lay in Common between him & Joseph Sherburn Esq. being, as tis said their property & twenty one feet four inches in depth, and from thence it runs thro' said Sherburns land including his half of said Alley Twenty two feet in length & Twenty one feet four Inches in depth, and from thence thro' the Lands belonging to the Estate of James Dodge dec^d fourteen feet six inches in Length including half of a Private Alley or passage way that (as tis said) belongs to said Dodges Estate and the heirs of Rachel Hobby dec^d, and Six feet in depth and from thence it runs thro' the Lands of said Rachel Hobby or her heirs twelve feet Six inches in length (including half of said Alley) and Six feet in depth, and then said New Street meets with the Brick wall of a house belonging to George Broughton Gedney where it ends of the Wedth of twenty feet, and then said Street is but fourteen feet in Wedth, & so continues on a Line on this Northeasterly side with said Gedneys Dwelling Houses & Lands somewhat bevelling till it comes and enters into Middle Street where it is but Twelve feet wide; on the Opposet or Southwesterly side said New Street runs

from Ann Street to Middle Street & the [559.] Lands bounded thereon belong to the heirs of M^r. Margaret Fletcher decēd Margaret Newman Cap^t. Robert Ball the Heirs of Robert Henry decēd Joseph Sherburn Esq^r. Thomas Emmons, Asa Stoddard John Briant & Joseph Jackson when it comes to Middle Street, or be the Measure of any of the Lands aforesaid be they more, or be they Less, We having maturely Considered of all the Matters and things we were directed to in and by the Warrant aforesaid, do Report our Determination thereupon as follows - - - - -

Viz^t. That the Heirs Assigns or Proprietors of the Tenement or Ell & Lands belonging to the Estate of M^r: Meriam Tyler decēd, be allowed & paid Two hundred & Thirty pounds for there Loss & Damages sustained by taking said Ell & Lands from them as laid out & Added to the New Street Aforesaid That William Scott be allowed Twenty Five pounds for his Loss & Damages in taking from him Lands that is laid out in the New Street Aforesaid — That Jacob Emmons be Allowed Five pounds for his Loss and Damages in taking from him Lands that is laid out in the New Street Aforesaid That William Simpkins be Allowed Five pounds for his Loss and Damages in taking from him Lands that is laid out in the New Street aforesaid — That Joseph Sherburne Esq^r. be Allowed Seven pounds for his Loss and Damages in taking from him Lands that is Laid out in the New Street Aforesaid —

That the Heirs of James Dodge be Allowed Three pounds for their Loss & Damages in taking from them Lands that is laid out in the New Street Aforesaid —

[559.] That the Heirs of Rachel Hobby be Allowed Two pounds for their Loss & Damages in taking from them Lands that is Laid out in the New Street Aforesaid —

That Sixteen pounds Ten Shillings be allowed the Justices & Jury for their Time Trouble & Expences on the Business Assign'd them — And we further Report that George Broughton Gedney be & hereby is Assessed the Sum of Three pounds Merriams Heirs One pound, Joseph Jackson Three pounds, John Bryant Two pounds, Asa Stoddard Four pounds, Thomas Emmons Five pounds, The Heirs of Robert Henry decēd Three pounds Robert Ball Eighty pounds for Priveledge & Land taken in Belonging to Paddays Alley, M^r Newman Twenty Five pounds, The Heirs of the Widow Fletcher decēd Twenty pounds for their Priveledge being better for the New Street —

And we further say that the Sum of One hundred Seventy Seven pounds Ten Shillings Be paid by the Town of Boston Making in the whole the Sum of Three hundred & Twenty three pounds Ten Shillings & that be in full (when paid) of Loss Damages Cost & Charges &c. Attending the Business Aforesaid. And We further Report & Determine that the Aforesaid Brick Tenement (or Ell) belonging to the heirs or Assigns of said Meriam Tyler shall be pulled down, and the Celler filled up and the Fences included in said New Street be removed, at the Cost & Charge of the Proprietors of said premisses, within Sixty days & that the severall Sum & Sums of Money Assessed on the Persons aforesaid be paid & the Work dun in Forty days from the Date here-

of & we hereby Assess them & Their Estates for payment of the same Accordingly — And further we do Allow & Assign unto the Proprietors of said Miriam Tylers Estate All the Brick Windows [560.] And Materials of or belonging to said Brick Tenement or Ell, for their Use & Benefit Witness our hands this Third Day of August One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy three —

Nath^l Ruggles, James Mears, Aaron Davis Jun^r Caleb Hayward Sam^l. Sumner Nath^l. Felton, John Greston Jun^r Ebenezer Clap Sam Toplift, Elisha Gardener, Tho^s. Aspinwall Jun^r. Eleazer Parker.

The foregoing Assessment Exam.

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk.

[End of Book 5 of Town Records. — W. H. W.]

BOSTON TOWN RECORDS.

[SIXTH BOOK.]

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston p Ad-
journment of the Port Bill Meeting from November the 7th. at
Faneuil Hall, December 7th. 1774, 10 O'Clock.

The former Moderator being absent it was Voted that a Pro
Temp. Moderator be now chosen by a Hand Vote

Jonathan Williams Esq. was chosen Moderator Pro Tempore. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that a Committee be now chosen
to prepare & bring in a List of proper Persons, to serve as a
Committee, for carrying the Resolutions of the late Continental
Congress into Execution. —

Voted, that Jonathan Williams Esq.

James Otis Esq.

M^r. Paul Reverie

M^r. John Pitts

M^r. Thomas Crafts Jun^r.

Cap^t. Abiel Ruddock

M^r. Thomas Chase

be a Committee for the above Purpose —

Adjourned to half past 3 O'Clock P.M. —

1/2 past 3 O'Clock met according to Adjournment

A Motion made, & the question put, Whether it is the sense of
the Town, that the Committee of Correspondence now subsists, &
that they continue their good services, till the farther Order of
the Town — and that either Seven of the Committee of Correspond-
ence be & hereby are empowered to conduct the Business of said
Committee — Which passed in the Affirmative unanimously. —

[2.] The Committee to prepare a List for a Committee of In-
spection, & to carry the Resolutions of the Continental Congress
into Execution Reported the following Names, & that Seven of
said Gentlemen shall be a Quorum — Which Report was accepted
by the Town — The Committee are as follows, Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

William Phillips Esq.

Col: Thomas Marshall

M^r. John Pitts

M^r. Oliver Wendell

[3.]

M^r. Samuel Anstin
 Benj^r. Austin Esq.
 Deacon Caleb Davis
 M^r. Will^m. Whitwel
 Samuel Barret Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 Capt. John Bradford
 M^r. John Brown
 M^r. William Powell
 Major Richard Boynton
 Ezekiel Cheever Esq.
 Capt. Edward Proctor
 M^r. James Ivers
 M^r. Ebenezer Hancock
 M^r. William Greenleaf
 M^r. Samuel Whitwell
 M^r. Hermon Brimmer
 M^r. Martin Brimmer
 M^r. Peter Boyer
 D^r. Benjamin Church
 D^r. Joseph Warren
 Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
 Capt. Benjamin Waldo
 Capt. John Pulling
 M^r. Paul Reviere
 M^r. John Winthrop
 M^r. Samuel Pitts
 Capt. Abiel Ruddock
 D^r. Charles Jarvis
 M^r. Thomas Chase
 Major Nathaniel Barbour
 Capt. Fortesque Vernon
 Capt. Job Prince
 Capt. Caleb Hopkins
 M^r. Moses Gill
 M^r. Thomas Boylston
 Capt. John Marston
 Major Newman Greenough
 M^r. Moses Grant
 M^r. Foster Condry
 Henry Bromfield Esq.
 M^r. Cyrus Baldwin
 M^r. Bessinger Foster
 M^r. Isaac Pierce
 M^r. Enock Brown
 M^r. Joseph Ayres
 M^r. Henry Bass
 Capt. Samuel Partridge
 M^r. Joshua Bracket
 Jonathan Williams Esq.
 M^r. Edward Davis
 Capt. Ebenezer Johnson

Mr. Elias Parkman
 Mr. John Avery
 Dr. Nathaniel Noyes

On a Motion made, Voted, that a Committee be appointed to draught a Vote of Thanks of the Town of Boston expressive [4.] of their Gratitude for the benevolent Assistance which they have received from the other Colonies, during their present Calamities & particularly for generous Recommendation of the respectable Continental Congress for farther Support from their Sister Colonies, during their unhappy Struggles, under the arbitrary & Oppressive Measures of the present British Administration —

Voted, that Jonathan Williams Esq. Moderator

The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
 Dr. Benjamin Church
 Dr. Joseph Warren
 Mr. John Pitts
 Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
 Mr. William Cooper

be a Committee to prepare said Report, & report the same at the Adjournment.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, being 14th. Instant, 10 O'Clock A.M.

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston by Adjournment of the May Meeting from December 7th. 1774 — at Faneuil Hall December 7th., 1/2 past 9 O'Clock A.M.

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair

Warrant for calling this Meeting again, read.

Upon a Motion made for a farther Adjournment of this Meeting, as several Committees were not ready to make Report

Voted, that all Matters & things which remain unfinished, be referred over to the Adjournment of this Meeting

On a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be Adjourned to Monday 26th. Instant, 10 O'Clock forenoon

And the Meeting was adjourned accordingly —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, at Faneuil Hall December 14, 1774, 10 O'Clock A.M. p^r. Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting

[5.] Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair —

It having been suggested in this Meeting, that a Paper signed T. Gage, being an Answer to a Letter, written to General Gage by the Hon^{ble}. Payson Randolph Esq. President of the late Continental Congress, contains diverse Gross Mistakes, to the Prejudice of this Town,

Therefore Voted, that

Mr. Samuel Adams
 Dr. Benjamin Church
 Dr. Joseph Warren

be a Committee to consider the same, & to report at the Adjournment. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 26th. of December Instant 11 O'Clock forenoon —

And the Meeting was adjourned accordingly

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, at Faneuil Hall, December 26th. 1774 p Adjournment of the May Meeting — 10 O'Clock A.M.

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair

The several Committees appointed by the Town, not being ready to make Report at the Adjournment; it was moved & Voted, that this Meeting be farther adjourned to Fryday next 10 O'Clock Forenoon

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned —

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, at Faneuil Hall December 26. 1774 p Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting. —

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair. —

A Motion made, that this Meeting, when adjourned, shall be to Fryday next, the 30th. Instant, 11 O'Clock Forenoon —

Voted, that all Matters unfinished at this Meeting be referred over to the Adjournment. —

[G.] Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned till Fryday next at 11 O'Clock in the Forenoon, then to meet in this Place, to receive & act upon the Reports of Several Committees; & the Selectmen are hereby requested to issue Notifications and serve the Freeholders & Inhabitants with the same by the Constables of the Town; Notifying them, that on the said Fryday next, the Town will, if they see Cause, make Choice of One, or more Delegates, to represent them in the Provincial Congress, to be held at Cambridge on or before the first Day of February next. —

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned to Fryday next the 26 instant, 11 O'Clock Forenoon —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall p Adjournment of the May Meeting December 30th. 1774 —

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair —

The Committee appointed by the Town to consider of the Expediency of filling up the Town Dock; & also make inquiry into the Titles of the Abutters thereon, being called upon for their Report, several of that Committee present, acquainted the Town that they were not yet able to make Report —

Moved & Voted, that the above Committee be desired to make Report at the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

On a motion made Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to the 1st. Wednesday in February next, being the first of that Month, 10 O'Clock forenoon

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall by Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting, December 30th. 1774 —

Mr. Samuel Adams in the Chair

The Committee appointed to take under Consideration a Paper

signed T. Gage, being an Answer to a Letter written to General Gage by the Hon^{ble}. Peyton Randolph Esq. President of the late Continental Congress — Reported as follows, Viz'.

[7.] We would not, unless urged by the clearest Necessity, have taken up the Consideration of General Gage's Letter to the Honorable Peyton Randolph Esq. late President of the Continental Congress, but we Conceive that Letter, tho' it *appears* to be addressed to a Gentleman in his *private* Capacity, has a strong Tendency to impress the whole Continent with Sentiments very unfavourable to this afflicted Town. We shall not intentionally throw any disagreeable Imputation upon the General, but shall endeavor only to defend ourselves against the injurious Tendency of the Letter.— The General contrary to the known Sense of every Man of common Understanding, has been pleased to insinuate, that the Complaints of the Town of Boston against his Conduct were utterly groundless & unreasonable & would have the Continent believe that, not *he* but the People of the Province, & especially the Inhabitants of Boston, were the Aggressions in all the Differences which have arisen. — We freely acknowledge that the Arrival of a British Army, with a profes'd Design of enforcing Acts of the British Parliament, destructive of our Liberties, gave a great & universal Alarm, & it cannot appear strange that we should be considering of the Measures necessary to preserve our just Rights & Privileges. We hoped however that peaceable and gentle means would have effected our Deliverance: We believed that his Excellency would have laid Some Proposals before the General Assembly, which he had Summoned to meet at Salem; but after hearing both the Council & House of Representatives in a Manner, which we shall not animadvert on, he was pleased to dissolve the Assembly: The People were then compelled to turn their tho'ts & Attention to other Methods of preventing the impending Destruction. And, tho. thus distressed, his Excellency would gladly have prevented them from availing themselves of the Counsel of each other in Town Meetings; & actually ordered the Marching of a Body of armed Soldiers to disperse the Inhabitants of the Town of Salem, when peaceably assembled to consult upon the most important Interests of themselves & Posterity: This was followed by the seizing of the Powder in the Magazine at Cambridge, & of the Common, which had been lent to the first Regiment in Middlesex: The Mounting a Number of Field Pieces on an Eminence in Boston Common: the Stationing Guard in various Parts of the [8.] Town, & many other Acts, which could not leave any Doubt in the Minds of the People, of the Generals Intention to employ Military Force against the Province, at length roused the People to think of defending themselves & their Property by Arms, if nothing less could save them from Violence & Rapine. For the Justification of the Conduct of the People in that Respect, we may safely appeal to the Continent. — to the World, & to the supreme Omniscient Governor of the Universe. — All the Transactions from the first Arrival of the Troops we hope will hereafter be critically & judiciously examined: And we trust that the time will come, when we shall have a fair & impartial Hearing. — We mean not now to give particular Answers,

except such Parts of the General's Letter, as seem to charge the Continental Congress, with having misconceived the Facts stated in their Letter to him.

First, His Excellency says, that from the Letter (meaning the Letter from the Hon^{ble}. Continental Congress) "People would be led to believe, that Works were raised against the Town of Boston, private Property invaded, the Soldiers suffered to insult the Inhabitants & the Communication between the Town & County shut up & molested" How far his Excellency was governed by the Consideration of what Answer he should make, when he gave this Town to the Expressions of the Congress, need not be enquired into. To this Charge his Excellency replies, that "There is not a single Gun pointed against the Town." His Excellency did not advert to the Number of Field Pieces, which were, at the Time the Letter was written, & long before, pointed against the Town from the Common; but if the Assertion had been literally true, it would not in the least affect the Point under Consideration.—

Are not the Works on the Neck in Reality erected against the Town? Are they not designed to intimidate the Inhabitants, & to lead them to think they were altogether in the Power of the Army? The Continental Congress plainly express the Sense in which they mean to be understood by his Excellency. They say, "that the Fortifications erecting within that Town (Boston) the frequent Invasions of private Property, & the repeated Insults they (the Inhabitants) receive from the Soldiery, have given them great Reason to suspect a Plan is formed, very destructive to them, & tending to overthrow the Liberties of America."—The General therefore has in no Way answer'd the Charge bro't against him, but has only by varying the Expression, attempted to elude it.—

[9.] The next Assertion is, That no Man's Property has been seized or hurt, except the King's. — We need not enumerate all the Instances of Property seized; it is enough to Say, that a Number of Cannon, the Property of a respectable Merchant in this Town were seized & carried off by force: That Timber & other Lumber have been violently taken from the Owners — that rightful Proprietors have been driven from their Lands. — It is impossible for us to mention One half of the Influences, in which Property has been hurt they are notorious to every Inhabitant, & have been made known to the Public from time to time.

His Excellency pleased to say that, "no Troops have ever given less Cause for Complaint, & greater Care was never taken to prevent it." What Care has been taken is not our Part to determine, we are ready to admit the most candid Opinion. But we beg leave to say, that the Insults received from Officers & Soldiers, have been in many Instances, such as were shocking to a spirited People, & of which, Humanity in some Instances, Decency in others, & in all, a generous Disposition to avoid placing even those, who have injured us, in an odious Light, prevent us from giving a particular Account.

The General declares that, "the Communication between the Town & Country has always been free & unmolested, & is so still." We shall only give the Facts. — Guards were fixt at every Entrance of

the Town — No Person was allowed to cross the Ferry to Charlestown after 8 O'Clock in the Evening, however urgent his Business — Passengers on the Neck were stopt for Hours together by the Guard—their Property injured or destroyed.—One Inhabitant stopt in his Chaise, & his Horse stabb'd with a Bayonet — others were a shamefully beaten abused & confined, & many other Instances, very alarming to our Friends in the Country, whose free Ingress to the Town is essential to our Subsistence.

The General perhaps might not justify these Enormities; but could he not have prevented them by removing the Cause of those frequent Abuses? Be that as it may; could he with Justice assert that “the Communication between the Town & Country has always been free & unmolested, & is so still.”

We wish the General had given us some particular Instances concerning “the Menaces of Blood & Slaughter,” which he intimates made it his Duty to alarm & distress the People in the Manner he has already done. —

[10.] We doubt not that we shall be able fully to answer his Excellency, whenever he is pleased to descend to particulars. We can only say at present that we conceive his Excellency to have been very ill advised in the Measures he has pursued, & that we ardently wish for an Opportunity to meet our Adversaries upon a just Ground. —

The above Report having been considered Paragraph by Paragraph, it was Voted, Nem. Con. that the same be accepted & that the Moderator of this Meeting be desired to transmit a Copy of the Report inclosed in a respectful Letter to the Hon^{ble}. Peyton Randolph Esq. by the first Opportunity. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the foregoing Report be published in the several News Papers. —

The Resolves of the late Provincial Congress, recommending the Choice of new Delegates for another Provincial Congress, were read, whereupon a Motion was made for the Choice of one or more Delegates for the Provincial Congress, designed to be held at the Town of Cambridge on or before the 1st. of February next — which passed in the Affirmative

Voted, that Seven be the Number of Delegates to be chosen for the Purpose aforesaid. —

The Inhabitants having brought in their Votes for Seven Delegates for the intended Provincial Congress, upon sorting them it appeared, that the following Gentlemen were chosen, Viz^t,

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

M^r. Samuel Adams

Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

D^r. Joseph Warren

D^r. Benjamin Church

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

The following Vote expressive of the Gratitude of the Town for the benevolent Assistance received from the other Colonies under our present Calamities, & the kind Recommendation of the late respectable Continental Congress for future Support — Passed Nem. Cont. —

[11.] Whereas the Town of Boston is unfortunately become the most striking Monument of Ministerial Tyranny & Barbarity, as is particularly exhibited in the sudden shutting up this Port thereby cruelly depriving the Inhabitants of this Metropolis of the Means they have hitherto used to support their Families; And whereas our Brethren of in the other Colonies, well knowing that we are suffering in the common Cause of America & of Mankind have, from a generous & Brotherly Disposition contributed largely towards our Support in this Time of our General Distress (without which many of our worthy and virtuous Citizens must have been in imminent Danger of perishing with Cold & Hunger) — And whereas the Hon^{ble}. Members of the Continental Congress have kindly recommended us to our Sister Colonies, as worthy of farther Support from them, while the Iron Hand of unremitting Oppression lies heavy upon us. Therefore Voted, that this Town, truly sensible of the generous Assistance they have received from their sympathizing Brethren, return them their warmest & most sincere Thanks for the same: And they pray that GOD, whose Beneficence they so gloriously imitate, may bestow upon them the Blessings he has promised to all them, who feed the hungry & cloath the naked: And the Thanks of this Town are accordingly hereby given to our Benefactor aforementioned, & to the Hon^{ble}. Members of the Congress for their Benevolence towards us, expressed as aforesaid, which Support, if continued cannot fail of animating us to remain stedfast in defending the Rights of America. —

The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq^r. being present moved that he might be dismissed as One of the Com^{tee} of Correspondence for the Town of Boston, And the Question being accordingly put, passed in the Affirmative.

Upon a Motion made & seconded,

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq^r. for his Services, as a Member of the Committee of Correspondence, & for his Offers of such farther Services as he might be capable of rendering. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 1st. day of February next, 11 O'Clock forenoon.

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned —

[12.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall by Adjournment of the May Meeting, February 1st. 1775. —

Mr. Adams the Moderator being at Cambridge, attending the Provincial Congress,

Mr. William Whitwell was chosen Moderator pro temp. by a Hand Vote.

The Com^{tee} appointed to consider the Request of a Number of the Inhabitants of the Town, that the Incumberances on Dock Square may be removed & Measures taken for filling up the Dock that so Room may be made for the Standing of Horses Hacks of those Country People, who bring Provisions for sale to the Market & to treat with the Proprietors, if the Com^{tee} have any Doubt, as to the Title of the Town to said Dock — Now Report — That they

have met several Times & examined into the Town's Right to said Dock, & into some Privileges anciently granted to certain Persons, who then lived near to said Dock, or were interested in Lands abutting thereupon: And upon the whole the Committee are of Opinion, that the Town have an undoubted Right to said Dock, & may fill it up, or improve the same as they shall judge proper, so far as to meet the Slip that enters into said Dock just above the Bridge; & if the same is filled up the Committee propose to the Town, that a Passage may be laid out of such a Width as will be most convenient for Carts, Trucks & other Carriages, beginning at the Southeast Corner of said Dock, & running upon a Line nearly strait, between the Dwelling House of the late Thomas Tyler Esq^r. & the Warehouse of John Boreland Esq. & that when said Dock is filled up the Rails above be bro't down, & fixed on the Sides of said Passage Way. The Committee judge that this will make a Passage Way full large for the Accommodation of all Carts, Horses & Carriages for Persons that bring Provisions for Sale, & it will thereby prevent the great Annoyances Inconveniences & Dangers, that the Inhabitants & others are exposed to by the Country People filling up with their Carts [13.] Teams, Stalls, Benches & Stands, the Street & Square from M^r. Simsons Store-shop to the Market: And the Committee would recommend to the Town, to take such Methods as shall be effectual to prevent, to prevent any of the Inhabitants of the Town, & all other Persons whatever, standing or continuing in said Square, or in the narrow Street between M^r. Dolbear's Shop & Deacon Newell's Shop so far into Union Street, as runs on a Line with the North Side of Ann Street, & also in all other Places & Avenues that lead to the Market, or to the aforesaid Places assigned for the Conveniency thereof; & that none be allowed to fix, stand or continue without the aforesaid Limits near to the same, with Carts, Horses Stalls, Benches Wheelbarrows or Baskets, or any of them for the Sale of any Article or Commodity whatever; & if any Person shall transgress herein, that they be prosecuted for the same: And for the Encouragement of the Country People, who bring any thing for Sale to the Market, the Committee propose, that it be left to the Discretion of the Selectmen, whether any, Consideration, & how much shall be paid by those Persons, that shall improve or occupy any Part of Faneuil Hall Market, or the Enclosures of the same; And that these Regulations may take Effect, the Committee would farther recommend to the Inhabitants, that they do not purchase Provisions, or any other Article of such Persons as shall refuse to comply with the same; & if the Town shall determine to fill up said Dock, the Committee advise that it be done as speedily as may be, & that the Selectmen be desired & directed to take Care, that all Drains & Conveyances of Water, that belong to private Persons, & that have heretofore emptied themselves into said Dock, be carried out at the Expense of the Town, so as no Stoppage or Obstruction may happen to private Property. The Committee would mention to the Town, that the Heirs of the late D^r. Will^m. Davis claim a Right to the Dockage, Wharffage & Morage of such Vessels as can lay in that lay in that Part of the Dock, that is before the Warehouses of the late

John Fayerweather Esq; but the same not appearing Clear to the Committee, they only say upon it, that when it shall appear they have such Right, an adequate Consideration should be made them, & which the Town will undoubtedly make to them — All which is humbly submitted by

[14.]

EZEKIEL GOLDTHWAIT
JOHN SCOLLAY
JOSEPH JACKSON
JOSHUA BLANCHARD
JOHN ROWE

the above Report having been voted, that the Consideration of the same be referred to the Annual Town Meeting in March next.

The Overseers of the Poor having represented to the Town the Difficulties they are under for Want of Money to support the Alms House, the Collectors of last Year not having yet taken the Books, It was

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, & hereby is directed & empowered to borrow upon Interest for the Supply of the Almshouse, One thousand Pounds lawful Money for One Year, & that he give his negotiable Note or Notes for the same, which Note, or Notes are to be paid off upon the Receipt of the Money now due to this Town.

Voted, That all Matters & things that remain unfinished at this Meeting be & hereby are referred over to the Annual Town Meeting in March next.

Then the Meeting was dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at Faneuil Hall February 5th. 1775 p Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting. —

M^r. Samuel Adams the Moderator of the Meeting being absent, & attending the Provincial Congress,

M^r. William Whitwell

was chosen Moderator Pro Tempore. —

Upon a Motion made

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 22^d. instant 11 O'Clock Forenoon

And the Meeting was adjourned accordingly.

Town met according to Adjournment February 22^d. 1775 — 11 O'Clock A.M.

Upon a Motion made Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 6th. Day of March next, 9 O'Clock A.M.

[15.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, legally warned, at Faneuil Hall, March 6th. 1775, by Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting. —

M^r. Samuel Adams Moderator.

The Committee appointed by the Town the 5th. of March last, to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration, the 5th. of March Instant, to perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the Fifth of March 1770 — by a Party of Soldiers, under the Order & Eye of Capt. Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment, Reported —

That having met together for the Purposes mentioned in the

Town's Vote, they had made Choice of Joseph Warren Esq. to deliver an Oration on the 6th. of March instant, who had accordingly accepted of said Service, —

The foregoing Report having been made by Mr. Samuel Adams, Chairman of the Committee — the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Upon a Motion made, the Town took into Consideration what Time would be best for the Oration to be pronounced; as also the Place that would be most suitable for the Purpose — whereupon —

Voted, that the Oration be delivered at half past Eleven O'Clock, at the Old South Meeting House, the Hall not being capacious enough to contain the Inhabitants, that may attend upon this Occasion: the Committee of that Society having upon Application consented, that said Meeting House should be made Use of for this Service. —

Voted, that the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

Mr. Samuel Austin.

Mr. William Cooper

be a Committee to wait upon Joseph Warren Esq. & acquaint him, that it is the Desire of the Town, that the Oration may be delivered at the old South Meeting House, at half after 11 O'Clock this Forenoon. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be now adjourned to the Old South Meeting House, to meet there at half past Eleven O'Clock. —

[16.] The Town met according to Adjournment, at the Old South Meeting House half past 11 O'Clock A.M. —

The Committee appointed to wait on Joseph Warren Esq. to acquaint him with the Vote of the Town, respecting the Time and Place for the Delivery of an Oration —

Reported, that said Gentleman was ready to comply with the Orders of the Town made known to him by their Committee

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that there be a Collection made in this Meeting for Mr. Christopher Monk, a young Man, now languishing under a Wound he received in his Lungs, by a Shot from Preston's Butchering Party of Soldiers on the 5th. of March 1770 —

An Oration to commemorate the Horrid Massacre of the fifth of March 1770, & to impress on the Minds of the Citizens the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities &c was delivered by Joseph Warren Esq. to a large and crowded Audience, & received by them with great Applause.

Upon a Motion made & seconded

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to Joseph Warren Esq. for the Elegant & Spirited Oration delivered by him at their Request, in Commemoration of the horrid Massacre, perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers, of the 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Capt. Thomas Preston also — Voted, that

Mr. Samuel Adams

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

Benjamin Church Esq.

Mr. John Pitts

Mr. John Scollay Esq.
Col. Thomas Marshall
Mr. Samuel Austin

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to wait upon Joseph Warren Esq. & in the Name of the Town to require of him a Copy of said Oration for the Press.—

Moved, & also Voted, that what Money shall be collected at this Meeting for the Relief of Mr. Monk, be put into the hands of the Selectmen, & by them applied for the Purpose aforesaid as they shall judge best for the Sufferer.—

[17.] Upon a Motion made & Seconded
Voted, that Mr. Samuel Adams

The hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
Joseph Warren Esq.
Mr. John Brown
Samuel Pemberton Esq.
John Adams Esq.
Benjamin Church Esq.
Mr. John Pitts
John Scollay Esq.

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee, to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next, to perpetuate the Memory of the *Horrid Massacre*, perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers of the 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Capt. Thomas Preston: And to impress upon our Minds, the ruinous Tendency of Standing Armies, in free & populous Cities, in a Time of Peace; & the Necessity of such noble Exertions in all future Times, as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the Designs of the Conspirators may be still frustrated.—

A Collection for Mr. Monk was made, agreeable to a foregoing Vote, which amounted to the Sum of _____ & the same was lodged with the Selectmen for the Use of said Monk.—

Upon a Motion made and seconded,
Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 27th. Day of March 1775, 10 O'Clock forenoon.

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, on Monday the 13th. day of March Anno Domini 1775.

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. Dr. Cooper —

Warrant for calling the Meeting — Read —

Sundry Laws enjoined to be read at this Meeting were accordingly read. —

[18.] The Town brought in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

The hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen, who took the Chair accordingly. —

Mr. William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing, & took the Oath of Office for the faithful Discharge of his Duty, which Oath was administred to him by Mr. Justice by Google

The Town proceeded to the Choice of Seven Selectmen and the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

John Scollay Esq.
 The hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.
 M^r. Timothy Newell
 Col: Thomas Marshall
 M^r. Samuel Austin
 M^r. Oliver Wendell
 M^r. John Pitts

were chosen Selectmen for the Year ensuing.—

The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Overseers of the poor & upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Barrett Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 M^r. Will^m. Whitwel
 M^r. Will^m. Greenleaf
 John Leveret Esq.
 Capt. Samuel Partridge
 M^r. Samuel Whitwel
 M^r. Samuel Abbot
 M^r. Daniel Waldo
 M^r. John White
 Capt. Edward Proctor

were chosen Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing.—

[19.] The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Wardens, and upon Sorting them it appeared, that,

M^r. Penuel Bowen
 Capt. Samuel Ridgway
 M^r. John Hooton - - - excused —
 Capt. Jonathan Freeman
 M^r. Peter Verstill
 M^r. Samuel Bangs - - - excused—
 M^r. Nathaniel Shepherd
 M^r. Joseph Webb
 M^r. Ebenezer Dorr
 M^r. Samuel Sloane
 M^r. Stephen Hall
 M^r. Bessinger Foster - - excused —

were chosen Wardens for the Year ensuing.—

The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire Wards, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Greenleaf Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 Col: Thomas Marshall
 Capt Benjamin Waldo
 M^r. Samuel Adams - - - excused—
 Francis Shaw Esq.
 Capt Job Prince
 Capt Edward Proctor
 Capt John Pulling

Deacon Caleb Davis
 Capt Abiel Ruddock
 Capt Samuel Banet
 M^r. Stephen Cleverly
 M^r. Ebenezer Hancock
 M^r. Thomas Crafts Jun^r.

were chosen Fire Wards for the Year ensuing. —

[20.] The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer, & upon sorting them it appeared, that
 M^r. David Jeffries

was chosen Town Treasurer for the Year ensuing.

Upon a Motion made & seconded, the Question was put —
 Whether Collectors of Taxes shall be chose separate from Constables — Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pounds Fine to such Persons as shall be chosen into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing, & shall decline Serving.

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Twelve Constables, the Persons chose into the Office are

Mess^{rs}. Augustus Hall
 Stephen Syms
 John Bennet
 George Thomas
 Thomas Bell
 Joseph Foye
 John Coverly
 Will^m. Todd
 John Hammett
 Samuel Greenleaf
 Matthew Nazro
 John Wells

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in, & being sealed up in Town Meeting, were delivered to M^r. Constable Bennet, for him to return to the Court of Sessions at their next Meeting.

M^r. Samuel Abbot having sent in his Desire to the Town that he might be excused from serving any longer, as an Overseer of the Poor, on Account of his being obliged to be much out of Town, he was accordingly excused. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to M^r. Samuel Abbot for his good Services as an
 [21.] Overseer for a Number of Years past. —

The Town brought in their Votes for an Overseer of the Poor, in the Room of M^r. Samuel Abbot, who was excused & upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Jonathan Mason
 was chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the Year ensuing. —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Warden, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Adam Colson
 was chosen a Warden for the Year ensuing. —

M^r. Samuel Adams chosen a Fire Ward, having excused himself from serving in that Office —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for a Fire Ward in his Room, & upon Sorting them it appeared, that Ezekiel Cheever Esq. was chosen a Fire Ward for the Year ensuing.

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to M^r. Samuel Adams for his good Services, as a Fire Ward in Years past.——

Mess^{rs}. Martin Brimmer
 Andrew Brimmer - - - - excused
 Simon Tufts
 Nathaniel Greenough
 Jeremiah Allen
 Edward Gray
 Abraham Burgess
 James Swan
 Jonathan Pollard
 Lendal Pitts
 Joseph Sherburne Jun^r.
 Joseph Ward

were chosen Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.——

[22.] Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 O'Clock P.M. Town met according to Adjournment

M^r. Andrew Brimmer, agreeable to the Request, was excused from serving as a Clerk of the Market.——

M^r. Samuel Bangs, agreeable to his Request, was excused from serving as a Warden.——

Voted, that the Assessors be, & hereby are impowered & directed to set for Abatement of such Taxes as they shall think reasonable, on every Wednesday, untill the last Wednesday in April inclusive, & no longer, saving that they be allowed to sit the Two last Weeks in November, for the Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons as had not an Opportunity of applying in the above limited Time, by reason of their being out of the Province — At which time they are also allowed and impowered, to abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April, & the last Day of November ——

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, and upon sorting them it appeared, that,

Deacon Benjamin Church
 M^r. Daniel Pecker
 Deacon Jonathan Browne
 Gyles Harris Esq.
 Capt Samuel Downe
 M^r. William Lowder
 M^r. Samuel Johnson

were chosen Assessors for the Year ensuing.——

Benjamin Austin Esq.

was chosen Surveyor of Hemp for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. John Greenough
 Clement Collins
 Abraham Howard

[23.]

Andrew Symmes
 Joseph Butler
 Benjamin Page
 Joseph Ford
 John Rogers
 Thomas Uran
 Edward Ranger
 Jacob Thayer
 John Bulfinch jun^r.
 Joseph Ballard
 James Blake
 John Lambert jun^r.
 Nathan Hancock
 Ebenezer Flood

were chosen Surveyors of Boards for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. William Crafts
 John Lambert jun^r.
 Nathaniel Wales
 Nathan Hancock

were chosen Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing. —

Mess^{rs}. Daniel Parks
 Samuel Bangs
 Jacob Holland
 Benjamin Bass
 Nathan Green

were chosen Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. Adam Colson
 Thomas Edes

were chosen Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. John Bound - - - - - dead
 John Owen
 Peter Cotta
 Menasseh Masters
 Benjamin Barnard
 Edward Cowell
 Israel Cook
 Richard Flood
 Samuel Prichard
 Benjamin Sault
 Jacob Williams
 Joshua Pico

[24.]

were chosen Cullers of Staves & Hoops for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Benjamin Blake
 Ralph Morgan
 Elijah Searl

were chosen Hogreeves for the Year ensuing —

M^r. William M^r. Fadden

was chosen a Hayward for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Jonathan Farnum - - - - - Wards 1
 William Williams - - - - - 2
 Thomas Bradford - - - - - 3
 Thomas Greenough - - - - - 4

Jonathan Stoddard	- - - - -	5
Jonathan Rogers	- - - - -	6
Jacob Bucknam	- - - - -	7
Richard Salter	- - - - -	8
Jeremiah Russel	- - - - -	9
Samuel Warden	- - - - -	10
Henry Quincy	- - - - -	11
Nathaniel Cabbot	- - - - -	12

were chosen Scavengers for the Year ensuing.

On a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Committee of Correspondence be directed to draw up an exact State of the Behavior of the Troops, under the Command of General Gage; & of the Navy, under the Command of Admiral Graves, going so far back as they shall judge proper; & also carefully to observe their Conduct in future, taking their Information upon Oath, before Two Justices of the Peace, Quorum Unus; always giving legal Notice to the Persons accused of disorderly Proceedings — and Report to the Town.—

Mr. James Swan, upon his Request, was excused from serving as a Clerk of the Market.—

[25.] Voted, that Capt. John Bradford
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Major Thomas Daws
Isaac Smith Esq.
Mr. Alexander Hill

be & they hereby are appointed a Committee, to Audit the Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor; & the said Committee are impowered, when they shall audit said Accounts, to allow such of the Overseers, as shall Advance Money for the Relief of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums from the Time so advanced, till they shall have audited said Accounts; & they are also desired to report from time to time a State of the Treasury respecting the Debts & Credits, & on any Matters that they may think proper.—

The Selectmen
chose Surveyors of the High Ways for the Year ensuing.

Mess^{rs}. John White
John Lucas

were chosen Surveyors of Wheat for the Year ensuing.

Col: Joseph Jackson
Col: John Leveret
Mr. John Sweetser

were chosen Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, & they are desired and impowered to give all needful Directions to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the Quantity of Grain to be sold, & affixing the Price thereof from time to time, as Occasion shall require; & the said Committee are desired & directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground at the New Mills, near the Mill Bridge, now occupied by Mr. George Leonard.—

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Green
John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing.—

Upon a Motion made & seconded

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is impowered

[26.] And directed to borrow on Interest a Sum not exceeding Six Hundred Pounds lawful Money for the Use of the Overseers the Poor, to purchase Grain &c for the Alms House —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is impowered & directed to give his negotiable Notes on Interest, to such of the Overseers of the poor, as are in Advance for the Relief of the Poor, for such Sums as appear to be due to them respectively upon the auditing of their Accounts to the present Month

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is impowered & directed, to borrow upon Interest, to the Amount of One thousand & Eighteen Pounds ten shillings & Two Pence, being the Town's Proportion of the Province Tax for 1774 & that the said Treasurer be, & he hereby is directed to pay the same unto Henry Gardnes Esq. of Stow, who is appointed by the Provincial Congress to receive all Monies due to the Province, & that his Receipt shall be a Discharge to the Town Treasurer; & the Town farther engage to indemnify said Treasurer, for any Damage or Loss that may be occasioned to him by his paying said Money to the said Henry Gardner Esq.

Voted, that the Consideration of Schoolmasters Salaries & all other Salaries & Grants be referred over to next May Meeting—

Moved & Voted, that a Committee be now appointed to consider & report at the Adjournment what they think proper to be done relative to the Collectors of Taxes Premium Bonds & for collecting the Tax of 1774.—

Voted, that Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq.

M^r. Henry Bromfield

M^r. William Davis

M^r. William Greenleaf

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Capt. John Bradford

Thomas Daws Esq.

be, & they hereby are appointed a Committee for this Purpose

The Report of the Committee on filling up the Dock again read.—

[27.] Whereupon a Motion was made & carried, that the Consideration of of said Report be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting.—

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 3^d. of April, 10 O'Clock Forenoon

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.—

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally warned, at Faneuil Hall, March 27th. by Adjournment of the Port Bill Meeting.—

M^r. Samuel Adams, Moderator of this Meeting, being now out of Town, attending his Duty at the Provincial Congress, now sitting at Concord —

A Motion was made, that a Moderator Pro. Temp. be now chosen,— whercupon

M^r. William Whitwel

was chosen a Moderator Pro Tempore,

The Petition of the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Medford, in behalf of said Town, Setting forth.—

“That previous to the shutting up the Port of Boston a great Part of the Inhabitants of Medford subsisted by Brick-making, & Numbers of other poor Inhabitants there, were employed in transporting those Bricks to Boston, where was our Market for them both in supplying the Town, & also Vessels in the Harbor, from whence, they were exported to foreign Parts, in great Quantities — But since by the Operation of the Port Act, this our Trade is at an End, & those poor People are put out of Business, & themselves & Families are involved in the same Calamity & Distress, for Want of Employ, as are the Poor of Boston & Charlestown, nor can they subsist without some charitable Relief afforded them — And whereas many Cities & Towns in this & the other Colonies, have generously contributed to the Relief of those industrious poor in Boston, who are reduced to Want, merely by the aforesaid Act, of which Contributions the Town of Boston has liberally distributed a Part to the like poor in Charlestown.—

[28.] The Inhabitants of Medford, in a Town Meeting assembled the 14th. Instant, upon Consideration of the Premises have directed us to acquaint you with our distressed Circumstances, & to petition for your kind Assistance.

We do therefore, in behalf of said Town, pray that you would consider of unhappy Condition, & that you would (if the Circumstances of your Poor admit, in your known Benevolence & Humanity, grant us (who are suffering in the common Cause) some small Portion of that Liberality which Providence has put into your Hands” — was read, & after some Debate thereon— It was moved & seconded that the Consideration of this Petition be referred to the annual Meeting in May next — & that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to insert said Petition for Consideration in the Warrant that shall be issued for that Meeting — and the Question being accordingly put, it passed in the Affirmative. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 17th. Day of April next, 12 O’Clock Forenoon.—

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.—

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the 28th. Day of March Anno Domini 1775.—

Warrant for calling the Meeting read —

Upon a Motion made Voted, that a Moderator for this Meeting be now chose by a Hand Vote —

M^r. William Whitwell was chose Moderator of this Meeting & took the Chair accordingly —

The Selectmen laid before the Inhabitants the present State of the Small Pox in this Town, whereby it appeared, that there are on Board the Hospital Ship in this Harbor Thirty Eight Persons [29.] With the Small Pox, three of whom were sent on Board

this Day: At the Hospital at West Boston, five Persons with this Distemper; two of whom were sent, from a Chamber in M^r. Runk's House, at the Head of Cross Street, occupied by a Soldier; a Woman from the Lamb Tavern at the South Part of the Town; a man from his Dwelling near D^r. Byles's Meeting House, & another Man from the Royal Exchange Tavern in King's Street: That M^r. Runk's Wife at his House at the Head of Cross Street, was taken with the Distemper, where Guards are placed to prevent a Communication of the Infection; & that the Hospital Ship was this Forenoon removed some Distance from the Wharff.

The Town having duely considered the foregoing, & all Circumstances relative to the Small Pox among us, & being of Opinion that the Probability was in favor of the Distempers not spreading. —

Voted, *Nemine Contradicente*, That the Selectmen of this Town be desired to continue the same Vigilance they have hitherto shewn, to prevent the Spreading of the Small Pox in this Place. —

Sundry Laws relative to the Small Pox were read — & Capt. Hunter of the Hospital Ship being present, & questioned by the Moderator, he informed the Town, that there were Thirty Five Persons on Board his Ship with the Small Pox, all sent there since Thursday Seven Night.

Upon a Motion made & seconded

Voted, *Nem: Con:* that the Selectmen be desired to see that the Law relative to the concealing & spreading of Infectious Distempers, be put into Execution against any Persons, who shall make Attempts of that Nature, by Inoculation, or in any other way; & that no One might plead Ignorance of said Law; It was farther

Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed to publish such Paragraph or Paragraphs of the Law as affix the Penalty, for concealing & spreading infectious Distempers; also the Proceedings of this Meeting relative to the Small Pox. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved. —

[30.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston legally warned, at Faneuil Hall, Monday April 3^d. 1775, p Adjournment of the March Meeting. —

M^r. Samuel Adams Moderator of this Meeting being at the Congress now sitting at Concord. —

Samuel Swift Esq.

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting Pro Tempore.

A letter from M^r. Penuel Bowen chosen a Warden for the Year ensuing, desiring the Town would excuse him from serving in that Office, was read — whereupon it was motioned, that the Consideration of his Request be referred to the Adjournment — & the Question being accordingly put, Passed in Affirmative —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for three Clerks of the Market, & upon sorting them, it appeared that,

M^r. William Mollineux

M^r. Robert Williams

M^r. John Steel Tyler

were chosen Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.

The Committee appointed to consider & report at the Adjournment what they think proper to be done, relative to the Collectors of Taxes Premium Bonds &c for Collecting the Tax of 1774 — Report

That it will be best for the Town be chose suitable Persons to collect the Tax of Eight Thousand Pounds lawful Money granted by the Town on the 19th Day of July last for the Relief of the Poor, and defraying other necessary Charges arising within the Town — And when such Persons are chosen & sworn into that Office, that the Assessors be directed to deliver the Books containing said Tax to said Collectors, they first giving Bonds with Sureties to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen, that they will use their utmost Endeavors to collect said Tax, or so much thereof as shall be in their Power, & when collected, that they will pay in the same to the Town Treasurer for the Time being, & as an Encouragement [31.] To the Collectors to exert themselves in their Office — The Committee propose to the Town, that a Premium of Five p Cent be allowed, them on all such Sums as they shall collect & pay into the Treasury, & that said Collectors shall not be answerable or accountable for any or farther Sums, than they shall collect. & pay; provided they render an Account to the Selectmen, upon Oath, when requested, of all the Sums they have received, & of whom, & that they have not been able to collect any more of the Tax delivered them, than is contained in said Account; & that said Collectors shall also deliver to the Selectmen, a List of the Names of such Inhabitants, as shall not have paid their Tax, or shall refuse to pay them, whenever they shall require the same. —

The foregoing Report being read, a Motion was made & obtained, that the farther Consideration of this Report be referred to the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

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Upon a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday. the 17th. Instant 10 O'Clock. —

[33.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, at Watertown.

the 5th. Day of March Anno Domini 1776. —

Benjamin Austin Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting

The Committee appointed by the Town, the 6th. of March last, to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration the 5th. of March instant, to perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre, perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers under the Order & Eye of Captain Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment.

Reported,

That having met together for the Purposes mentioned in the Town's Vote, they had unanimously made Choice of the Rev^d Peter Thacher, to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March instant, who had accordingly accepted of that Service. —

The above Report having been made by the Chairman of the Committee, the Question was put, — “Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion made Voted, that

John Brown Esq.

Nathaniel Appleton Esq.

Nathaniel Barber Esq.

be a Committee to wait on the Rev^d. Peter Thacher, & acquaint him, That it is the Desire of the Town, that the Oration be delivered in Watertown Meeting House this Day at the Hour mentioned in the Notification for said Meeting.

On the Invitation of the Town, a Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Samuel Cooper — very suitable for the Occasion —

An *Oration* to commemorate the Horrid Massacre of the 5th. of March 1770, & to impress upon the Minds of the Citizens the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities in Time of Peace, was delivered by [34.] The Rev^d. Peter Thacher to a numerous Audience, and received by them with the greatest Applause. —

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given, to the Rev^d. Peter Thacher for his — and spirited Oration delivered by him at their Request, in Commemoration of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers, under the Command of Captain Thomas Preston — also

Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

William Cooper

John Pitts

John Brown

Nathaniel Appleton

Nathaniel Barber Esq.

Capt. William Mackay

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to wait upon the Rev^d. Peter Thacher, & in the Name of the Town, to require of him a Copy of the said Oration for the Press. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded

Voted, the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

John Pitts Esq.

Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Brown Esq.

Hon^{ble}. Samuel Adams Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Nathaniel Barber Esq.

William Cooper

David Jeffries

Nathaniel Appleton

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next, to [35.] Perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers under the Command of Capt. Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment; & to impress upon our Minds the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities in Time of Peace; & the Necessity of such noble Exertions in all future Times, as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the Designs of the Conspirators against the public Liberty may be still frustrated. —

Voted, Unanimously, that

The Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to Benj^r Austin Esq. Moderator of this Meeting for dispatching the Business thereof. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at the old Brick Meeting House, on Fryday the 29th. Day of March Anno Dom. 1776.

Prayer was made by the Rev^d Dr. Cooper. —

Notification for calling the Meeting read. —

Sundry Laws enjoind to be read at this Meeting were accordingly read —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, & upon sorting them it appear'd, that

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen unanimously, who took the Chair, & made a Congratulatory Speech to the Inhabitants, upon the Recovery of the Town out of the hands of the British Enemy, & for the present Opportunity of transacting the Affairs & Business of the Town in a free Town Meeting. —

[36.] William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing, & took the Oath of Office for the faithful Discharge of his Duty. —

The Town proceeded to the Choice of Seven Selectmen, & the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

John Scollay Esq.

The hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

M^r. Timothy Newell

Col: Thomas Marshall

M^r. Samuel Austin

M^r. Oliver Wendell

M^r. John Pitts

were chosen Selectmen for the Year ensuing. —

The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Overseers of the Poor, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

William Phillips Esq.

John Leveret Esq.

Capt Samuel Partridge

M^r. Samuel Whitwell

M^r. Daniel Waldo

M^r. John White

Capt Edward Procter

M^r. Jonathan Mason

M^r. Benjamin Dolbear

M^r. William Powell

M^r. Ebenezer Storer - - - - - excused

M^r. John Sweetser

were chosen Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing. —

The Town brought in their Votes for Twelve Wardens, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Penuel Bowen

[37.]

Capt Samuel Ridgway
 Capt. Jonathan Freeman
 M^r. Peter Vestille
 M^r. Nathaniel Shepherd
 M^r. Joseph Webb
 M^r. Ebenezer Dorr
 M^r. Samuel Sloan
 M^r. Stephen Hall
 M^r. Adam Colsom

were chose Wardens for the Year ensuing. —

The Town brought in their Votes for Sixteen Fire Wards, & upon sorting them it appeared, that —

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Greenough
 William Cooper
 Thomas Marshall Esq.
 Capt John Pulling
 Capt Edward Procter
 Thomas Crafts Esq.
 Major Abiel Ruddock
 Caleb Davis Esq.
 Capt Benjamin Waldo
 Capt Samuel Barrett
 M^r. Ebenezer Hancock
 Capt Isaac Phillips
 Major Paul Reviere
 M^r. Tho^s. Tyleston
 Capt Caleb Hopkins

were chose Fire Wards for the Year ensuing. —

The inhabitants brought in their Votes for a Town Treasurer, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. David Jeffries

was chosen Town Treasurer for the Year ensuing.

Upon a Motion made & seconded, the Question was put, —
 “ Whether Collectors of Taxes shall be chosen separate from Constables - - - - - Passed in the Affirmative

Voted, that the sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pounds Fine, to such Persons as shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing, & shall decline serving

On a Motion Voted, that

Thomas Crafts Esq.
 Col Thomas Marshall
 Major Paul Reviere

be a Co^mmittee to wait on General Washington, & to acquaint him that it is the Desire of the Town, that the Four Pieces of Cannon which are in the Continental Train of Artillery, & belonging to the Town of Boston, may not be carried out of this Colony, if his Excellency should apprehend the general Interest of the Colony will permit their remaining here. —

Mess^{rs}. Nathaniel Greenough
 Edward Gray

Jonathan Pollar - - - - - excused

Lindal Pitts
 Joseph Sherburne Jun^r.
 Elias Parkman - - - - - sworn
 Henry Prentice - - - - - excused
 Andrew Brimmer
 James Foster Condy
 Duncan Ingraham jun^r. - - - - excused
 Moses Grant
 Benjamin Hammett

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

[39.]

Deacon Benjamin Church
 M^r. Daniel Pecker
 Deacon Jonathan Brown
 Gyles Harris Esq.
 Capt Samuel Downe
 M^r. William Lowder

were chose Assessors for the Year ensuing. —

Mess^{rs}. William Crafts
 John Lambert Jun^r.
 Nathaniel Wales
 Stephen Wales
 Nathan Hancock

were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing. —

Mess^{rs}. Clement Collins
 Abraham Howard
 Andrew Symmes
 Joseph Buttler
 Benjamin Page
 Joseph Ford
 John Rogers
 Thomas Uran
 Edward Ranger
 John Bulfinch Jun^r.
 Joseph Ballard
 James Blake
 John Lambert Jun^r.
 Nathan Hancock
 Ebenezer Flood
 John Champney

were chose Surveyors of Boards for the Year ensuing —

Benjamin Austin Esq.

was chose a Surveyor of Hemp for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Samuel Bangs
 Jacob Holland
 Benjamin Bass
 Nathan Green

[40.]

were chosen Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Adam Colsom
 Thomas Edes

were chosen Informers of Deer for the Year ensuing. —

Mess^{rs}. John Owen
 Peter Cotta
 Manasseh Masters
 Benjamin Bernard
 Edward Cowell
 Israel Cook
 Richard Flood
 Samuel Prichard
 Benjamin Sault
 Jacob Williams
 Joshua Pico

were chose Cullers of Staves & Hoops for the Year ensuing —

Mess^{rs}. Benjamin Blake
 Ralph Morgan
 Elijah Searl

were chose Hogreeves for the Year ensuing. —

M^r. William M^cFadden

was chose a Hayward for the Year ensuing. —

Votes for Twelve Constables brought in, the Persons chose into that Office are

Mess^{rs}. Stephen Symmes
 John Bennet
 Thomas Bell
 John Coverley
 John Wells
 Joseph Foye
 Samuel Greenleaf
 George Thomas
 Thomas Bradford
 Thomas Hodgson

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Mess ^{rs} . Jonathan Farnum	- - - - -	Wards N ^o .1
William Williams	- - - - -	- 2
Thomas Bradford	- - - - -	- 3
Joseph Butler	- - - - -	- 4
Jonathan Stoddard	- - - - -	- 5
Jonathan Rogers	- - - - -	- 6
Edward Lad Saunders	- - - - -	- 7
Richard Salter	- - - - -	- 8
Jerry Russell	- - - - -	- 9
Samuel Hodgden	- - - - -	- 10
Henry Quincy	- - - - -	- 11
Nathaniel Cobbet	- - - - -	- 12

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing. —

Votes for a County Treasurer brought in, and being sealed up in Town Meeting, were delivered to M^r. Constable Bennet, for him to return to the Court of Sessions at their next Meeting.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to May 1st. 10 O'Clock A.M. to meet in this Place —

May 1st. 10 O'Clock met according to Adjournment at the old Brick Meeting House, & adjourned to the Representatives Chamber.

Met at the Representatives Chamber according to Adjournment. —

The Proclamation issued by this Government, for promoting a Reformation of Manners, read — also an Act of the General Court relative to the Selectmen, taking an Account of the Number of Inhabitants in their respective Towns, conformable to a Resolve of the Continental Congress — whereupon

[42.] Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to make a Representation to the General Court, of the Difficulties which have hitherto prevented their complying with the Order of Court by taking an Account of the Inhabitants of Boston

Voted, that M^r. Ebenezer Storer
Nathaniel Appleton Esq.
John Bradford Esq.
Henry Bromfield Esq.
M^r. Ezekiel Price

be, & they hereby are appointed a Committee to audit the Accounts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, & also the Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor; & the said Committee are impowered, when they shall audit said Accounts, to allow such of the Overseers, as shall advance Money, for the Relief of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums, from the Time so advanced, until they shall have audited said Accounts; & they are also desired to report from time to time, a State of the Treasury respecting the Debts & Credits, and on any Matters than they may think proper. —

Selectmen

chosen Surveyors of the High Ways for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that the Assessors be & hereby are impowered to sit for Abatement of such Taxes as they shall judge reasonable, on every Wednesday until the last Wednesday in April inclusive, & no longer saving that they be allowed to set the Two last Weeks in November for the Abatement of the Taxes of such Persons, as had not an Opportunity of Applying in the above limited Time, by reason of their being out of the Province; at which Time they are also allowed & impowered to abate the Taxes of such Persons as may have died between the said last Wednesday in April & the last Day of November. —

Deacon Newell having desired the Town to excuse him from serving as a Selectman the Year ensuing, & he having accordingly been excused — it was

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are [43.] Given to Deacon Newell for his faithful Services, as a Selectman a Number of Years past. —

Mess^{rs}. John White

John Lucas

were chosen Surveyors of Wheat for the Year ensuing. —

Col: Joseph Jackson

Col: John Leveret

M^r. John Sweetser

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing, & they are desired & impowered to give all needful Directions to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the Quantity of Grain to be sold, &

affixing the Price thereof from time to time, as Occasion shall require; & the said Committee are desired & directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town, to be ground at the new Mills near the Mill Bridge, lately occupied by M^r. George Leonard. —

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Green
Joshua Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing. —

Votes for a County Register being brought in & sealed up in Town Meeting, were given to M^r. Constable Bennet for him to return to the Court of Sessions at their next Meeting —

On a Motion made, Voted, that

Capt. Caleb Hopkins
Major Abiel Ruddock
Capt. John Symms
Capt. Edward Procter
M^r. Robert Hitchburne
M^r. Thomas Knox
M^r. Thomas Tileston
Capt. Isaac Phillips
Capt. Jeremiah Stimson
M^r. Adam Colson
M^r. Thomas Bumstead
M^r. Samuel Service

[44.]

be a Committee to go through their several Wards in this Town as soon as may be, & see that such Houses as they may think need cleansing, be sufficiently smoaked & cleansed, as well those that are inhabited, as those that are not; and that they also make a Return to the Selectmen of all Persons that reside in their respective Wards, that are Inhabitants of this Town. —

Voted, that the Consideration of Schoolmasters Salaries, & all other Salaries & Grants, be referred over to next May Meeting. —

On a Motion made Voted, that

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Brown Esq.
Nathaniel Appleton Esq.
Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
Henry Bromfield Esq.

be a Committee to prepare an Address to General Washington to be reported at May Meeting

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for three Selectmen, & upon sorting them it appeared, that,

M^r. Ebenezer Storer - - - - declined
Nathaniel Appleton Esq.
M^r. John White

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for an Assessor & upon sorting them it appeared that

M^r. George Broughton Gidney
was chosen an Assessor for the Year ensuing. —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Committee of Correspondence, Safety & Inspection, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Adams Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq.

Joseph Greenleaf Esq. - - - excused

Nathaniel Appleton Esq.

Oliver Wendell Esq.

M^r. William Dennie - - - declines

Richard Boynton Esq.

Capt. Will^m. Makay

Nathaniel Barber Esq.

John Bradford Esq.

M^r. William Powell

Caleb Davis Esq.

M^r. William Cooper

M^r. John Sweetser

John Brown Esq.

John Pitts Esq.

M^r. Edward Church

Capt Isaac Phillips

Thomas Crafts Esq.

Capt Edward Procter

Capt John Pulling

Major Paul Reviere

M^r. Peter Boyer

Major Abiel Ruddock

M^r. Tho^s. Hitchburne

Perez Morton Esq.

Benjamin Hitchburne Esq.

were chose a Committee of Correspondence, Safety & Inspection for the Year ensuing.

On a Motion made Voted, that Nine of the foregoing Committee be a Quorum. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that all Matters & Things not acted upon in this Meeting be referred over to May Meeting. —

[46.] Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. Moderator of this Meeting for his good Services. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at the old Brick Meeting House June the 10th. 1776. —

Precept for the Choice of two Representatives, if the Town shall judge proper, in the Room of the Hon^{ble}. Will^m. Phillips and Benjamin Austin Esq^r., lately chosen into the Hon^{ble}, the Council of this Colony — was read —

Warrant for calling this Meeting read

The Expediency of making Choice of two Gentlemen at this Meeting for Representatives, in the Room of the Two Gentlemen lately Elected Councillors was considered, & after considerable

Debate had thereon — John Scollay Esq. Chairman of the Board of Selectmen in their Name put the Question Viz'. "Whether the Town will now proceed to the Choice of Two Gentlemen to represent them, in the great & General Assembly now sitting at Watertown agreeable to the Precept received — which passed in the Negative

On a Motion made Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next 8 O'Clock P.M. and that the Town be duly notified thereof. —

Monday June 17th. 3 O'Clock P.M. Town met according to Adjournment. —

[47.] After considerable Debate had, with Respect to the Legality of coming to the Choice of Two Representatives; a Quorum of the Board of Selectmen not being present to regulate the Meeting, by Reason of the Sickness of One, & the Absence of others — a motion was made & seconded — "That this meeting be dissolved — and the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

A Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at the old Brick Meeting House, on the 24th. of June Anno Domini 1776, 3 O'Clock P.M.

Precept & Warrant for calling this Meeting, read —

The Town went in to the Consideration of the Expediency of making Choice of Two Gentlemen for Representatives, in the Room of the Hon^{ble}. William Phillips, & Benjamin Austin Esq^r. & after considerable Debate, a Motion was made for such a Choice, & the Question being accordingly put by John Scollay Esq. Chairman of the Board of Selectmen — it passed in the Negative. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at The Old Brick Meeting House on Thursday the 23^d. Day of May, Anno Domini 1776. —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Mather

The Precept & Warrant for calling this Meeting read

Sundry Laws - - - - - read

[48.] John Scollay Esq. one of the Selectmen, proposed, in their Name, to the Inhabitants assembled, to proceed to the Choice of One or more Persons, to represent them in the Great & General Court or Assembly, to be held at the Meeting House in Watertown, on Wednesday the 29th. of May current; & in order thereto to consider & ascertain the Number of Gentlemen to be elected: Accordingly it was Voted to proceed to the Choice of Twelve Representatives; the Town apprehending that by a late Act of the General Assembly, they were privileged to send this, or a larger Number; & then it was declared by the Selectmen,

that as Votes will be received but such as are unfolded, & that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock. —

The Votes being brought in for twelve Representatives the Number of the same were found to be two hundred & seventy two; & upon sorting them it appeared, that the following Gentlemen were chosen, Viz^t.

- William Cooper
- William Phillips
- John Pitts
- John Brown
- Benjamin Austin
- David Jeffries
- Arnold Wells - - - - - excused
- William Powell - - - - - D^o.
- Oliver Wendell
- Nathaniel Appleton
- D^r. Joseph Gardner
- Caleb Davis

The Choice of Representatives being over, & declared by the Selectmen, the Inhabitants were desired to withdraw, & bring in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, in order that the Town may [49.] Proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant; accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew, & brought in their Votes, and upon sorting them it appeared that the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen. —

Arnold Wells Esq. & M^r. William Powell desired to be excused from serving as Representatives the Year ensuing, for Reasons by them respectively offered, & they were accordingly excused.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to this Afternoon 3 O'Clock. —

3 O'Clock, P. M. met according to Adjournment.

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider whether the Town will, in Conformity to a Resolve of the late Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives for this Colony, advise their Representatives, "That if the Hon^{ble}. Continental Congress should, for the Safety of the Colonies, declare them *Independent* of the Kingdom of Great Britain, they, the Inhabitants, will solemnly engage, with their Lives and Fortunes to support them in the Measure" — was read & duely Considered, & the Question being accordingly put — Passed in the Affirmative unanimously —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. "To consider what farther Instructions may be necessary for the Representatives that may be chosen," — was read — whereupon

- Voted, that M^r. William Davis
- Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
- Perez Morton Esq.
- M^r. Benjamin Hitchburne
- D^r. Charles Jarvis

be a Com̄tee to prepare a Draught of Instructions for the Representatives, chosen, and to make Report as soon as may be. —

[50.] On a Motion made, Voted, that the Vote lately passed,

appointing a Committee to prepare an Address to General Washington, be considered, & said Committee excused from that Service, the Selectmen having already presented One in the Name of the Town. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz'. "Whether any Measures shall be taken for the Borrowing a Sum of Money to answer the present Necessities of the Town" — read — Whereupon Voted, that the Gentlemen, the Selectmen, be a Committee to consider & report the Sum necessary to be borrowed. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that

Joseph Greenleaff Esq.

Perez Morton Esq.

M'. Benjamin Hitchburne

be a Committee to consider & report, what is proper to be done by the Town to prevent the Forestalling the Market, & the monopolizing the Wood brought by Water. —

Adjourned to Fryday next 3 O'Clock. —

Fryday May 27th. 3 O'Clock P.M. —

Met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed to consider & report the Sum of Money it was necessary to borrow — informed the Town, that they were not yet able to make an Estimate of the Money that may be necessary to answer the present Exigencies of the Town —

On a Motion made, Voted, that David Jeffries Esq'. Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is impowered & directed to borrow, on Interest, a Sum of Money not exceeding Two thousand Pounds, to answer the present Necessities of the Town. —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for two Representatives in the Room of M'. Wells & M'. Powell, who have resigned and upon sorting them it appeared, that the following Gentlemen were chosen, Viz'. —

M'. Henry Hill

M'. Allen Otis

[51.] Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday Next, 9 O'Clock —

Monday May 30th 10 O'Clock Town met according to Adjournment —

On a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to $\frac{1}{2}$ past 12 O'Clock —

Met according to Adjournment —

Joseph Greenleaff Esq. excused from Serving on the Committee, of Correspondence Safety & Inspection for Reasons by him offered —

The Committee on Instructions reported the following Draught, Viz',

Instructions to the Representatives of the town of Boston
Gentlemen,

At a time when, in all Probability, the whole United Colonies of America are upon the Verge of a glorious Revolution, & when, consequently, the most important Questions that ever were agitated by the Representative Body of this Colony, touching its internal Police, will demand your Attention; your Constituents think it

necessary to instruct you, in several Matters, what Part to act, that the Path of your Duty may be plain before you.

We have seen the humble Petitions of these Colonies to the *King of Great Britain* repeatedly rejected with Disdain. For the Prayer of Peace he has tendered the Sword; — for Liberty, Chains; — for Safety, Death! He has licenced the Instruments of his hostile Oppressions to rob us of our Property, to burn our Houses, & to spill our Blood — He has invited every barbarous Nation, whom he could hope to influence, to assist him in prosecuting those inhumane Purposes, The Prince, therefore, in Support of whose Crown & Dignity, not many years since, we would most cheerfully have expended both Life & Fortune, we are now constrained to consider as the worst of Tyrants: Loyalty to him is *now* Treason to our Country: —

[52.] We have seen his venal Parliament so basely prostituted to his Designs, that they have not hesitated to enforce his arbitrary Requisitions with the most sanguinary Laws. — We have seen the People of Great Britain so lost to every Sense of Virtue & Honor, as to pass over the most pathetic & earnest Appeals to their Justice with an unfeeling Indifference. — The Hopes we placed on their Exertions have long since failed. — In short, we are convinced, that it is the fixt & settled Determination of the King, Ministry, & Parliament of that Island to conquer & subjugate the Colonies, & that the People there have no Disposition to oppose them — A Reconciliation with them appears to us to be as dangerous as it is absurd — A Spirit of Resentment once raised it is not easy to appease: The Recollection of past Injuries will perpetually keep alive the Flame of Jealousy, which will stimulate to new Impositions on the One Side, & consequent Resistance on the other; & the whole Body politic will be constantly subject to civil Fermentations & Commotions. — We therefore think it absolutely impracticable for these Colonies to be ever again subject to, or dependent upon Great Britian, without endangering the very Existence of the State: Placing however, unbounded Confidence in the Supreme Council of the *Congress*, we are determined to wait, most patiently to wait, 'till their Wisdom shall dictate the Necessity of making a Declaration of Independency — Nor should we have ventured to express our Sentiments upon this Subject, but from the Presumption, that the Congress would chuse to feel themselves supported by the People of each Colony, before they should adopt a Resolution so interesting to the whole. — The Inhabitants of this Town therefore, unanimously instruct & direct you, that, at the Approaching Session of the General Assembly, you use your Endeavors, that the Delegates of this Colony, at the Congress, be advised, that in Case the Congress should think it necessary for the Safety of the United Colonies, to declare themselves independent on Great Britian, the Inhabitants of this Colony, with their Lives & the Remnant of their Fortunes, will most cheerfully support them in the measure. —

[53.] Touching the internal Police of this Colony, it is essentially necessary, in Order to preserve Harmony among ourselves, that the constituen^t Body be satisfied, that they are fully & fairly

represented — The Right to legislate is originally in every Member of the Community; which Right is always exercised of a State: But when the Inhabitants are become numerous, 'tis not only inconvenient, but impracticable *for all* to meet in One Assembly; & hence arose the Necessity & Practice of legislating by a few, freely chosen by the many. — When this Choice is free, & the Representation, equal, 'tis the People's Fault if they are not happy: We therefore entreat you to devise some Means to obtain an *equal Representation* of the People of this Colony in the Legislature. But care should be taken, that the Assembly be not unweildy; for this would be an Approach to the Evil meant to be cured by Representation. The largest Bodies of Men do not always dispatch Business with the greatest Expedition, nor conduct it in the wisest manner —

It is essential to Liberty that the legislative, judicial & executive Powers of Government be, as nearly as possible, independent of & separate from each other; for where they are united in the same Persons, there will be wanting that natural Check, which is the principal Security against the enacting of arbitrary Laws, and a wanton Exercise of Power in the Execution of them. — It is also of the highest Importance that every Person in a Judiciary Department, employ the greatest Part of his Time & Attention in the Duties of his Office. — We therefore farther instruct you, to procure the making such Law or Laws, as shall make it incompatible for the same Person to hold a Seat in the legislative & executive Departments of Government, at one & the same time: — That shall render the Judges in every Judicatory thro' the Colony, dependent, not on the uncertain Tenure of Caprice or Pleasure, but on an unimpeachable Department in the important Duties of their Station, for their Continuance in Office: And to prevent the Multiplicity of Offices in the same Person, that such Salaries be settled upon them, as [54.] Will place them above the Necessity of stooping to any indirect or collateral Means for Subsistence. —

We wish to avoid a Profusion of the public Monies on the one hand, & the *Danger of sacrificing our Liberties to a Spirit of Parsimony on the other*: — Not doubting of your Zeal & Abilities in the common Cause of our Country, we leave your Discretion to prompt such Exertions, in promoting any military Operations, as the Exigency of our public Affairs may require: And in the same Confidence in your Fervor & Attachment to the public Weal, we readily submit all other Matters of public Moment, that may require your Consideration to your own Wisdom & Discretion. —

The foregoing Draught of Instructions to our Representatives, having been read & considered, the Question was put — “ Whether the same shall be accepted, & given to our Representatives, as their Instructions ” — Passed in the Affirmative unanimously. —

Upon a Motion made, Voted, that the Gentlemen, the Selectmen be directed to wait upon the Committee of the General Court, for fortifying the Harbor of Boston, & to desire that they would suspend the sinking of the Hulks, untill the Sense of the Town be legally taken relative thereto. —

On a Motion made — Voted, that this Meeting may be adjourned

to Tuesday next, 9 O'Clock, Forenoon — And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned —

Tuesday Morning, 9 O'Clock,
Met according to Adjournment —

The Town took into Consideration the Expediency of having Hulks sunk in this Harbor, for the present, & after a full & fair Debate, the Question was put — viz'. "Whether it be the Sense of the Town, that the Hulks should be sunk at present"? which passed in the Negative, Nem. Con.

Voted, that Samuel Barret Esq.
M^r. Benj^a. Hitchburne
Henry Bromfield Esq.
Perez Morton Esq.
Benjamin Kent Esq.

[55.]

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to present, in Behalf of this Town, a Petition to the Great & General Court now sitting, praying that they would reconsider their former Vote for the Sinking of Hulks in this Harbour, so far as that the sinking of them for the present may be Suspended

The Town brought in their Votes for one to serve on the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, in the Room of Joseph Greenleaff Esq, who has lately resigned — And upon sorting the Votes it appeared, that

M^r. Ellis Gray, was chosen one of the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety for the Year ensuing. —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved, and it was accordingly dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at the Old Brick Meeting House, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, May 27th. Anno Domini 1776. —

Warrant for Calling this Meeting — read.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq^r. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Words, *other Inhabitants*, be deled out of the Warrant for calling the Meeting —

Votes for a County Register brought in & sealed up in Town Meeting by the Selectmen were deliver'd to their Chairman, John Scollay Esq. to be by him returned to the Court of Sessions. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[56.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at the old Brick Meeting House, on Monday the 26th. Day of August, Anno Domini 1776. —

Warrant for calling this Meeting — read —

Benjamin Kent Esq. was chose Moderator of the Meeting by a Hand Vote —

The Inhabitants were directed to withdraw & bring in Google

Votes for two Selectmen, there being but two of those who were chose in March last, who declined serving; & the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

John Greenleaff Esq.

Henry Bromfield Esq.

were unanimously chose Selectmen for the Remainder of the Year

A Motion was made to proceed to the Choice of proper Persons for filling up the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety — and after considerable Debate, it was moved & carried, that the farther Consideration of this Matter be referred over to Tomorrow 10 O'Clock, A.M. —

On a Motion made Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock Afternoon, then to meet in the Representatives Chamber. —

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment.

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for One Overseer of the Poor, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

John Barret Esq.

was unanimously chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the Remainder of the Year —

The Clause in the Warrant, Viz'. "To consider what Methods shall be taken for the speedy clearing of the Town from the Small Pox" was read & considered, whereupon it was moved & seconded,

[57.] That a Committee of Thirty Six Persons be immediately appointed, three for each Ward, whose Business it shall be to repair to every House in their respective Ward, to ask the following questions & take down the Answers in writing —

Who live in this House, & what is the Name of the Head of the Family?

How many Persons in this House have had the Small Pox both white & black, the natural Way, & by Inoculation, & how many of each have died?

How many Persons from the Country have had the Small Pox in this House, & how many of them came into Town after the 15th. day of July last — their Names & by whom inoculated?

How many are now Sick, & how many that have not had the Small Pox?

How many Persons belonging to this Family are now in the Service?

Is it Continental, or Colonial?

Is it by Sea, or by Land?

If by Sea, in what Vessel?

Have any of them been hired by other Towns, & what Towns are they?

And the Question being accordingly put —

Passed in the Affirmative. —

Voted, that the following Gentlemen be and here by are appointed a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid — Vis'.

Major Newman Greenough }
M^r. John Lambert Jun^r. }
Deacon Jonathan Brown }

Wards
N^o 1

[58.]	Capt Gyles Harris	}	Wards
	M ^r . Elias Parkman		N ^o . 2
	M ^r . Edward Grant		
	M ^r . Ebenezer Howard		
	M ^r . Caleb Champney		3
	M ^r . Nathan ^l Hitchburne		
	Francis Shaw Esq.		
	Capt Andrew Syms		4
	William Thornburne		
	Capt Jonathan Cary		
	M ^r . George B. Gidney		- - - - 5
	M ^r . John Waldo		
	Capt Samuel Barrett		
	M ^r . John Jenkins		- - - - 6
	M ^r . Samuel Sloan		
	Capt Job Prince		
	M ^r . Edward Carnes		- - - - 7
	M ^r . John Winnet		
	Capt Benj ^a . Gray		
	M ^r . John Colburne		- - - - 8
M ^r . Nicolas Bowes			
M ^r . Ezekiel Price			
Thomas Daws Esq.	- - - - 9		
Capt Samuel Dashwood			
M ^r . Jeremiah Belknap			
Capt Jeremiah Stimson	- - - - 10		
M ^r . Jon ^a . Amory			
Capt Jabez Hatch			
M ^r . Hermon Brimmer	- - - - 11		
M ^r . Samuel Hewes			
Capt Ephraim May			
M ^r . Ebenezer Dorr	- - - - 12		
M ^r . Thomas Baley			

And it was farther Voted, that the foregoing Committee be directed to acquaint the Overseers of their respective Wards, of the Time set for the Visitation, & to ask their Company therein, & that the Constables of the Town attend the Committee in said Walk; & the Committee are also directed to take the most effectual Methods to cause the Houses in the several Wards, to be well cleansed from the Infection. —

[59.] That Clause in the Warrant, Viz^t. “To consider of the Expediency of Erecting a Pound for the Security of Strays, was read & considered, — and the Question being put—“Whether it be expedient, that a Pound be erected at this Time— Passed in the Negative —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. “Whether any Application shall be made to Authority, to have the *Militia* of the Town Settled; & to determine upon some Method to have the Inhabitants provided, with Arms, according to Law” was read, & after some Debate, the Question was put— and it passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the farther Consideration of the

Article in the Warrant relative to settling the Militia, be referred to Tuesday afternoon 3 O'Clock —

Adjourned to Tuesday next, 10 O'Clock in the Forenoon

Tuesday the 27th. Day of August, 10 O'Clock A.M. met according to Adjournment. —

That Clause in the Warrant, viz. "To determine upon some Method to have the Inhabitants provided with Arms &c according to Law," — was read, & considered — Whereupon

Voted, that M^r. Ezekiel Price

Joseph Greenleaff Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

M^r. Joseph Banett

M^r. Ellis Gray

Captain Samuel Partridge

Major Thomas Daws

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee, to take this Matter into Consideration, & report their Opinion as soon as may be. —

The Town took into Consideration the Expediency of filling up the Vacancies in the Committee of Correspondence & Inspection, & after long Debates, it was moved & seconded & the Question accordingly put — "Whether, according to a Resolve of the Great & General Court of this State, passed the 13th. of February 1776, relative to Committees of Correspondence, such Persons as have been elected from said Committee [60.] Representatives, do not by such Election, cease to be Members of said Committee" — Passed in the Affirmative —

And upon a Motion made — the Question was put — "Whether it be not the Sense of the Town, that all other Town Officers, are, by the said Resolve, excluded from Serving Members of the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection &c" — Passed in the Affirmative —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon —

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment —

The Town took into Consideration the Expediency of filling up the Committee of Correspondence Inspection & Safety — and after long Debates — it was moved & seconded, & the Question accordingly put — Whether holding any military Commission in the Continental or Colonial Army is not incompatible with holding any Civil Trust? — Passed in the Affirmative

Adjourned to Wednesday 10 O'Clock in the Forenoon

Wednesday the 28th. of August Instant, 10 O'Clock A.M. met according to Adjournment —

Mess^{rs}. William Sherburne

William Mollineux - - - - sworn

Nathaniel Jarvis - - - - D^o.

Martin Becker - - - - D^o.

Thomas Cartwright

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Remainder of the Year, in the Room of those who are absent, or have resigned

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Six Wardens in the Room of those who are out of Town, or have resigned, and upon sorting them it appeared, that

Capt. Ephraim May - - - - excused
 Mr. Nathaniel Bahle
 Mr. Joseph Banett - - - - -excused
 Mr. Daniel Bell - - - - - sworn
 Mr. William Clough - - - - - D^o.
 Mr. Thomas Fleet - - - - - D^o.
 Mr. Edward Edes - - - - - excused

[61.] Were chosen Wardens for the Remainder of the Year. —
 Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz. "To consider of some effect-
 ual Measures to promote Order, & a Reformation of Manners,
 was read — & after considerable Debate, with respect to the Gen-
 eral Nature of the Article, & what was intended — a Motion was
 made & seconded, That a Co^mittee be appointed to take this Ar-
 ticle of the Warrant into Consideration, & report at the intended
 Adjournment. — This Motion having occasioned considerable De-
 bate, it was the Sense of the Town, that the Question upon said
 Motion should not then be put —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to To-morrow Morning,
 10 O'Clock, A. M. —

Thursday 10 O'Clock A. M. met according to Adjournment

An Order of Timothy Pickering Esq, Judge of the Court
 erected by this State, for the Trial & Condemnation of Vessells &c.
 To choose Twelve Jurymen, for a Court to be held at Boston, the
 5th. Day of September next, 10 O'Clock, A. M. was read, where-
 upon

Mess^{rs}. Isaac Pierce
 Edward Carnes
 Benj^r. Cobb
 Thomas Ivers
 Thomas Hitchburne
 Joseph Loring
 Samuel Dashwood
 John Andrews
 Edward Tuckerman
 Levi Jennings
 John Newell
 John Welch - - (Jeweller)

[62.] Were drawn out of the Box Jurymen for said Court —

The Article in the Warrant relative to filling up the Co^mittee of
 Correspondence Inspection & Safety, again taken up and de-
 bated —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock in the Afternoon —

Thursday 3 O'Clock, P. M. met according to Adjournment

On a Motion, Voted, that the Town will now come to the Choice
 of Ten Members for the Co^mittee of Correspondence Inspection
 & Safety, in the Room of those who have resigned, or look'd upon
 by the Town, as ceasing to be Members of Said Committee, since
 their being chose Representatives, Viz^t.

Mess^{rs}. Nathaniel Appleton
 Oliver Wendell

William Denntie
 Richard Boynton
 William Powell
 Caleb Davis
 William Cooper
 John Brown
 John Pitts
 John Sweetser

It was farther Voted, that the Choice of Ten Members for the Committee of Correspondence &c. be by separate Votes. —

The Votes being brought in accordingly, upon sorting them at the different Times they were brought in, it appeared, that

M^r. James Bowdoin
 M^r. Ezekiel Price
 M^r. Joshua Blanchard
 M^r. William Davis
 Capt. Gustavus Fellons
 Jonathan Williams Esq.
 Capt. Eleazer Johnson
 M^r. Hermon Brimmer
 M^r. Bessinger Foster
 M^r. Ebenezer Dorr

were chose Members of the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, for the Remainder of the Year. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that

Joseph Greenleaf Esq.
 M^r. Stephen Bruce
 Col: Henry Jackson

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee, to wait on those Persons, who were Delinquents on the late Muster Day, for their Subscriptions towards a Bounty, for the Encouragement of those who turned out Volunteers for the Nothern or Canada Department on said Day —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 9th. Day of September next, 10 O'Clock A. M. to meet at the Representatives Chamber. —

Monday the 9th. day of September 10 o'Clock Forenoon—met according to Adjournment. —

The Town Clerk acquainted the Inhabitants, that agreeable to their Recommendation, signified to the General Assembly, they had appointed

Henry Bromfield Esq. - - - - - Col:
 Thomas Daws Esq. - - - - - L^t. Col:
 Ephraim May - - - - - Major
 William Daws Jun^r. - - - - - 2^d. Major

of the Regiment of Militia in the Town of Boston —

The Venire for the Choice of three Jurymen for the Court of General Sessions of the Peace, & the Inferior Court of Common Pleas, to be holden at Braintree on the first Tuesday of [64.] October next, was read, & the following Persons drawn out of the Box, Jurors for said Court, Viz'. —

Capt. John Matchet

M^r. John Preston
M^r. Samuel Hewes

The Committee appointed to consider of some Method to have the Inhabitants provided with Fire Arms &c according to Law — Reported,

That £251 ,, 7 ,, 2 Voted by the Hon^{ble}. House & Council of this State, in Lieu of the Arms belonging to some of the Inhabitants of this Town, be received & put into the Hands of a Committee, whose Business shall be to purchase, in the best Way & Manner, they can, a Quantity of Muskets for the Use aforesaid, and dispose of them in the following manner, Viz^t. — They shall sell to such of the Inhabitants, as are able to purchase them, One of said Muskets for himself, & as many more as he has Persons in his Family, liable to bear Arms, & that the Money so received, shall be again laid out for Fire Arms, till a sufficient Number shall be purchased for the use of the Town, & that such of the Inhabitants of the Town, as are not able to purchase Arms, shall be furnished in the manner following, Viz^t.

The Committee shall deposit with the Captains of the several Military Companies in said Town, a Number sufficient to supply such Persons, as are not able to purchase them, to be delivered them in Case of Emergency, & on Muster Days to be returned to said Captains, when they are not in Use. — And the Committee farther reported, that a Part of the Money aforesaid should be laid out in Powder, so that each man may have half a pound at least — which Report having been read & considered — the Question was put — “ Whether the same be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative — Also Voted, that

Capt John Marston
Col. Henry Jackson
Capt John Tyler
M^r. Joseph Banet
M^r. Thomas Hill
M^r. Joseph Webb
M^r. Martin Brimmer

[65.]

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to carry the foregoing Report into Execution. —

A Motion was made, that a Vote passed at the late Meeting, appointing a Committee to wait on the Delinquents, on the late Muster Day, for their Subscription towards a Bounty for the Encouragement of Volunteers &c be reconsidered, & the said Committee excused from that Service — and the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative

The Committee appointed to visit the several Wards, & take the State of the Town, with respect to the Small Pox — Reported the State of the several Wards — Whereupon

Voted, that said Committee be desired to revisit their respective Wards, & cause that such Houses as are unoccupied, and suspected of being infected, be well smoak'd, & cleansed, & that the Bills of Charge arising thereon be handed in to the Selectmen for payment & said Committee are desired to make strict Enquiry, how the Orders given the Inhabitants for cleansing the Houses that

had been infected, had been complied with— That they also enquire, how the Inhabitants are furnished with small Arms; & in a very particular manner, as to the Number of Persons that are in the public Service by Sea & Land — & how many are now sick with the Small Pox?— Also,

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen, be desired to use their best Endeavors, that the Resolve of the General Court, & the several Laws now in force relative to the Small Pox, be carried into immediate & strict Execution; & that they take the same Measures to rid the Town of Infection, as have been practised to prevent the Small Pox from spreading in the Town. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next, being the 16th. of September Instant 10 o'Clock Forenoon. —

[66.] Monday the 16th. of September 10 o'Clock A.M. met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed the 26th. of August last to visit the Houses of the several Wards in this Town, & to take the State of their respective Wards, relative to the Small Pox — the Number of Inhabitants in the Public Service — the Number of Muskets now in Town, in the Hands of the Militia &c — Report as follows, Viz'.

That in 1566 Families 295 white Persons & 9 Blacks had received the Small Pox in the natural Way; of which 29 had died; the Proportion about One in Ten; — that 2873 of the Inhabitants had been inoculated, of which 74 were Blacks — also 1329 Persons from the country & 786 Soldiers — making in the whole 4988, who had been inoculated, 28 of which Number had died; the Proportion of One in one hundred & ninety two — that 20 Persons were now under the Distemper, & 157 yet exposed to it

That 535 of the Inhabitants were now in the Continental Service, 206 in the Colony, & 166 in the Sea Service making in the whole 907 Persons in the Service of their Country — and that 197 Muskets are now in the Hands of the Inhabitants of this Town, exclusive of those belonging to the Independent Company so called. —

The Town brought in their Votes for four Wardens in the Room of M^r. Colson, M^r. May, M^r. Barrel, & M^r. Edes, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

Mess^{rs}. Ephraim Copeland
John Welch - - - - Jeweller
Samuel Payne
Thomas Baley

were chose Wardens for the Remainder of the Year. —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for five Constables— & upon sorting them it appeared, that

[67.] Mess^{rs}. John Rogers
Augustus Hail - - - - s
Benjamin Clark - - - - s
Thomas Stevenson - - - - s
John Bartlett - - - - s

were chosen Constables for the Remainder of the Year

A Motion was made that this Meeting be dissolved —
And it was accordingly dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston at the old Brick Meeting House, in Boston, October the 11th. 1776, 9 o'Clock A.M. in Consequence of a Resolve of the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives of this State, passed the 17th. of September last. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read.

Voted, to come to the Choice of a Moderator by a Hand Vote. —

Benjamin Kent Esq.

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting —

The Resolve of the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives of this State, passed the 17th. of September last Viz^t, — “ That it be recommended to the Male Inhabitants of each Town in this State, being free & Twenty One Years of Age, or upwards, that assemble as soon as they can in Town Meeting, upon reasonable previous Warning, to be therefor given, according to Law, & that, in such Meeting, they consider & determine whether they will give their Consent, that the present House of Representatives of this State of Massachusetts Bay in New England, together with the Council if they consent, in One Body with the House, & by equal Vote, should consult, agree on, & enact such a Constitution [68.] And Form of Government for this State, as the said House of Representatives & Council aforesaid, on the fullest & most mature Deliberation shall judge will be most conducive to the Safety, Peace, & Happiness of this State, in all after & successive Generations; & if they would direct that the same be made public for the Inspection & Perusal of the Inhabitants, before the Ratification thereof by the Assembly. And that each Town, as soon as may be, after they have passed on the Question aforesaid, cause their Votes, or Resolutions thereon, to be certified into the Office of the Secretary of this State.” — was read & considered — whereupon a Motion was made — that the previous Question might be put — Viz^t. “ Whether the Town will now act upon this Resolve ”? and the same being put — Passed in the Affirmative

The said Resolve being again read, after considerable Debate — the Question was put in these Words of the Resolve, which passed in the Negative Unanimously —

On a Motion made, Voted, that a Committee be appointed to draw up the Reasons the Town had for Voting as they have done, to be certified into the Office of the Secretary of this State. —

Voted, that Thomas Boylston Esq.

Joseph Greenleaf Esq

M^r. Ellis Gray

be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid, & to report as soon as may be. —

Adjourned to 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon —

3 o'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee appointed to draw up and state the Reasons, which operated to the Town's Voting in the Negative — when the Question was put, relative to empowering the House & Council in One Body to form a Constitution of Government to be laid before the People for their Perusal & Inspection — Reported as follows, Viz^t.

1st. We apprehend the People have some higher Privileges, than [69.] A bare Inspection & Perusal of the Constitution under which they are to live.

2^d. The present General Court were not chosen for the Purpose of forming a Government, which, of Right, originates with the People.

The above Report having been read — after long Debate, it was Voted, that the farther Consideration thereof be referred to the Adjournment.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 16th. instant, 10 o'Clock A. M. —

Wednesday the 16th of October 1776, A.M. met according to Adjournment. —

The Report of the Committee for stating the Reasons the Town had for not empowering the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives to form a Constitution of Government — again read and considered — & a Motion made, Voted, that the Report be recommitted. —

The Committee for stating Reasons etc. — Reported as follows, Viz^t.

1st. To form Government & establish a Constitution for the present & succeeding Generation, is a Task or Consideration the most important, it extends as much to our *Religious as Civil Liberties*, & includes our *All* — It effects every Individual; every Individual therefore ought to be consulting, acting & assisting.

2^d. A Subject of such General, & indeed Infinite Concernment ought to be proceeded in with the greatest Caution & maturest Deliberation. — The Means or Channels of Information should all lay open to the People, & not restricted or confined to any particular Assembly however respectable. —

3^d. Precipitancy is to be guarded against time & Opportunity shou'd be taken by the people whose right it is to form Government, to collect the wisest Sentiments on this Subject; not of the present House only, but also of the Council, & every other Society, or Member of the State, that would favor the Public with their Sentiments, [70.] In Order that they may possess themselves of such Principles, & wise Maxims sounded on the best Precedents, & thereby be enabled to form a judicious & happy Constitution of Government.

The foregoing Report having been read & considered the Question was put — “Whether the same shall be accepted?” Passed in the Affirmative Unanimously.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed to cause the foregoing Votes, or Resolutions, relative to the Resolve of the House of Representatives to be certified into the Office of the Secretary of this State.

Adjourned to 3 o'Clock in the Afternoon —

3 o'Clock afternoon, met according to Adjournment

A Motion made relative forming a new Government, was the Subject Matter of a long Debate, but the Motion was finally withdrawn —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved, and it was accordingly dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at the Old Brick Meeting House 11th. of October 1776, — 10 o'Clock A.M. —

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

Voted to come to the Choice of a Moderator by a Hand Vote
Benjamin Kent Esq.

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 4 o'Clock P.M.

4 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment —

On a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be farther adjourned to Wednesday, 16th. day of October instant, 10 o'Clock before Noon —

[71.] And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned. —

Wednesday the 16th. of October 11 O'Clock — forenoon, met according to Adjournment. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 4 O'Clock after Noon. —

4 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed at a late Meeting to prepare a By-Law, relative to forestalling of Wood and other Necessaries of Life — Report a By-Law for preventing of those Evils, & the same having been read & considered, the Question was put, Viz^t. Whether it shall be accepted as a By-Law of this Town — Passed in the Negative —

That Article in the Warrant Viz^t. “To consider the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants relative to several Grievances arising from the Forestalling of Wood, Provisions and other Necessaries of Life” — was read, & after considerable Debate,

Voted, that Col. Thomas Daws

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Col. Nathaniel Barber

M^r. Ellis Gray

Capt. Williams

Deacon Jonathan Mason

M^r. Samuel Whitwell

M^r. John Reed —

be a Committee to take this Matter into Consideration, & report as soon as may be, what they apprehend will be for the Interest of the Town to be done thereon —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday, next the 23^d. of October instant, 10 o'Clock, to receive the Report of the forenamed Committee, & to act upon other Articles of the Warrant —

Wednesday October 23^d. 1776, met according to Adjournment —

[72.] Benjamin Kent Esq. Moderator of this Meeting being on a Journey,

M^r. Ezekiel Price

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting Pro. Tem. —

The Committee appointed to consider the Petition relative to sev.

eral Grievances arising from the forestalling of Wood & other Necessaries of Life, informed the Town, that they were not ready to make Report

On a Motion made, Voted, that all Matters & things mentioned in the Warrant for calling this Meeting, & which remain unfinished, be referred over to the next Town Meeting, then to be taken up & acted upon. —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved, and it was accordingly dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at the Old Brick Meeting House, 30th. Day of October, 10 o'Clock A.M. Anno Domini 1776 —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read —

The Town brought in their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Jonathan Mason

was chosen Moderator of the Meeting. —

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. "To consider and determine what Measures shall be taken, respecting the Poor of the Town of Boston, who, by a late Resolve of the General Court, are to be removed from Salem & elsewhere, to this Town"? — was read — whereupon considerable Debate arose, & a Motion was made, "That the Town Treasurer be impowered to borrow a Sum of Money for the Use of the Overseers" [73.] "It was objected to, as not being inserted in the Warrant" — and a Doubt arising, Whether the Town was legally warned — It was moved & Voted that this Meeting be dissolved, & the Meeting was accordingly dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled, at the Old Brick Meeting House, November the 8th. 1776. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read. —

The Inhabitants were directed to withdraw & bring in their Votes for a Moderator, & the Votes being accordingly brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

M^r. Jonathan Mason

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To determine what Measures shall be taken, respecting the Poor of Boston, & the Sum of Money that shall be raised for their Support" — was read — & after considerable Debate, it was moved & Voted, that the farther Consideration thereof be referred to 3 O'Clock Afternoon —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider & estimate what Measures shall be taken, to estimate the Damages the Town has sustained since the Port Bill took Place" — was read — & after long Debate, Voted, that the farther Consideration be referred to the Afternoon. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment

The Town brought in their Votes for two Overseers of the Poor, & upon sorting them, it appeared, that

Isaac Smith Esq.
M^r. Edward Payne

were chose Overseers of the Poor the Year ensuing. —

[74.] The Town again took into Consideration the Article in the Warrant relative to the Poor of Boston; & a Vote in writing was prepared, which was committed to M^r. Otis for Amendment

The Town again entered upon the Consideration of that Article in the Warrant relative to estimating the Damages the Town has sustained since the passing the Port Bill — Whereupon

Voted, that Col: Daws

M^r. Joseph Barrel
M^r. Ezekiel Price
Col: Bromfield
M^r. Ebenezer Dorr
Col: Barber
Capt Procter

be a Com̄ittee to consider & report a List of suitable Persons to be employed by the Town in Estimating the Damages sustained by them since the Port Bill took place. —

On a Motion made, Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to John Barret & John Leverett Esq^r. for their faithful Services, as Overseers of the Poor a Number of Years past. —

Whereas the General Assembly of this State, by their Resolve of the 17th. of October last, determined that the Inhabitants of Boston disposed in the several Towns in this State, & supported at the public Expence, be returned to the Town, on or before the 1st. of December next, & maintain'd at the Expence of the Town; & the Selectmen of Salem have informed the Overseers of the Poor, that they intend to send the poor, formerly belonging to the Alms House, & now in the Hospital at Salem, to this Town by Water, on the 12th. or 13th. of this Month, their being at this Time no Money in the Treasury, nor any Tax made, that, in the present distressed State of the Town, can possibly be collected for the Repairs of the Almshouse, & the Support of said poor — Voted, that the Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is directed & impowered to borrow from [75.] Time to time such Sums of Money, as he may have Occasion for, to pay the Draughts of the Overseers of the Poor, for the Support of said Poor, to the Amount of five thousand Pounds, & to give his Note or Notes for the same on Interest. —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. “To appoint a Com̄ittee to examine into the State of the Town Treasury, and the Annual Expences of the Town” — was read — Whereupon

Voted, that M^r. Joseph Barrel

Col: Daws
M^r. Edward Payne
M^r. Banet
M^r. Storer,

be a Comitee for the Purpose aforesaid, & to report as soon as may be —

That Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. “ To determine what Number of Schools shall be opened, & the Salaries that shall be allowed the Masters & their Ushers ” — was read & considered — whereupon,

Voted, that the School in Queen Street, of which M^r. John Carter is Master, be immediately opened for the Accommodation of the Youth in that part of the Town. —

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be, and hereby are directed to appoint an Usher for one or all the Schools, if they shall apprehend that Assistance is wanted. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred & Twenty pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt, for his Salary, as Master of the South Grammar School for the Remainder of the Year, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence from the Time the School was opened. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty Pounds, be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt, in Addition to his Salary of £120 — in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One Hundred Pounds [76.] Be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook, for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in the Common the ensuing Year, the same to be paid quarterly as it shall become due, & to commence from the Time the School was opened. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook, in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One Hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Tileston for his Salary, as Master of the North Writing School the Year ensuing, the same to be paid quarterly, as shall become due, & to commence from the time the School was opened.

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Tileston, in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One Hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Carter for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence from the time the School was opened. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Carter, in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 11th. of November instant, 10 O'Clock Forenoon. —

Monday November 11th. 10 O'Clock, forenoon — met according to Adjournment. —

The Comitee appointed to consider the Petition of a Number of the Inhabitants relative to several Grievances arising from the forestalling of Wood, Provisions & other Necessaries of Life” —

beg Leave to recommend, that the Laws relative to Forestallers &c. be immediately put into Execution — that Measurers of Wood be [77.] Immediately appointed, & that every Coaster, that receives a Pass from the Office, have given him the Law relative to Wood — that the Persons employed in Cutting Wood this Winter may not plead Ignorance — That Scales & Weights be fixt in the Market & the Square for weighing small Draughts, to prevent the Iniquity & Damage arising from weighing with Steelyards — That the Inhabitants be as sparing as possible in *purchasing* of Butter & such other Articles as bear a high Price; & that all they purchase be by Weight & Measure; as many Persons that have lately purchased Indian Meal in Bags for two Bushels, on Measuring have found considerable wanting — so in Butter, oftentimes there has not been more than fourteen or fifteen Ounces to the Pound. —

The Committee forbear mentioning at present the Names of some Persons hinted to them, who, by engrossing and Forestalling, not only the Necessaries of Life, but many other Articles, are greatly injuring the Town, hoping they will desist from such Practices, so exceedingly prejudicial to the Community, or they must expect to be held up as unworthy the Name of Friends to their Country. —

THOMAS DAWES p. Order —

The foregoing Report having been read & considered — the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative

The Committee appointed to prepare a List of suitable Persons to be employed by the Town, for collecting an Account of the Damages sustained since the Boston Port Bill, having reported, it was

Voted, that Sixty Persons be chosen, as a Committee Five for each Ward, for the Service aforesaid — and the following Persons were appointed, Viz^t.

Capt. Fortesque Vernon	}	Wards N ^o . 1.
Capt Caleb Hopkins		
M ^r . Thomas Adams		
M ^r . Nathaniel Heath		
M ^r . Zepheniah Hart		
M ^r . Benjamin Burt	}	N ^o . 2
M ^r . Edward Grant		
M ^r . John Lambert jun ^r .		
M ^r . Joseph Clark		
M ^r . John Brown		
Francis Shaw Esq.	}	3.
Capt Daniel Martin		
M ^r . Joseph Eustis		
M ^r . John Wells		
M ^r . Nathaniel Hitchburne		
Nathaniel Barber Esq.	}	4
M ^r . Thomas Greenough		
M ^r . Gibbins Sharp		
M ^r . Thomas Crafts jun ^r .		
M ^r . Timothy Atkins		

	Capt William Makay	}	Wards N ^o . 5
	M ^r . Edward Gray		
	M ^r . Jonathan Stoddard		
	M ^r . Asa Stoddard		
	M ^r . Thomas Hitchburne		
	Joseph Greenleaff Esq.	}	6
	Henry Jackson Esq.		
	Capt Samuel Barrett		
	Capt William Bell		
	M ^r . Benj ^a . Sumner Sen ^r .		
	Capt Downe Cheever	}	7
	M ^r . Timothy Newell		
	Capt Job Prince		
	M ^r . William Homer		
	M ^r . William Crafts		
	M ^r . John Lowell	}	8.
	M ^r . Joseph Hall		
	Capt John Bradford		
	M ^r . Benj ^a . Eustis		
	Capt Charles Williams		
[79.]	M ^r . Thomas Russell	}	9
	M ^r . Barthol ^w . Kneeland		
	Capt William Fleet		
	M ^r . John Hudson		
	M ^r . Thomas Parker		
	Capt Samuel Dogget	}	----- 10
	M ^r . John Tileston		
	M ^r . Daniel Ingersol		
	M ^r . Thomas Tileston		
	M ^r . Henry Tompson		
	M ^r . Benjamin Church	}	----- 11
	M ^r . Martin Brimmer		
	Capt Samuel Payne		
	M ^r . John Preston		
	M ^r . Rich ^d . Honeywell		
	Arnold Wells Esq	}	----- 12
	M ^r . William Powell		
	Capt Gustavus Fellows		
	M ^r . Thomas Baley		
	M ^r . John Lucas		

On a Motion made, Voted, that
 Col. Thomas Daws
 M^r. Edward Payne
 M^r. Joseph Barrell
 M^r. Ezekiel Price
 M^r. Henderson Inches

Be a Committee to draught & report to the Town a suitable Plan of procedure for the Committee appointed to collect Accounts of the Damages sustain'd since the Port Bill took place. —

A Motion made for re-considering the Vote for accepting the Report of the Committee relative to Forestalling the Market— after long Debate the Motion was withdrawn. —

[80.] Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock Afternoon.

3 O'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment. —

On a Motion made, Voted that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday the 18th. instant, 10 O'Clock — forenoon —

Monday November the 18th. 10 O'Clock Before Noon — Met according to Adjournment. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to fill up any Vacancy that may happen in the Committee chosen out of the several Wards, for the Purpose of Collecting an Acc^t. of the Damages the Town has sustained since the Port Bill. —

The Town bro't in their Votes for an Overseer of the Poor, in the Room of M^r. Daniel Waldo, who has not returned from the Country, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

M^r. Nathaniel Barrett

was unanimously chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the present Year. —

On a motion made, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to M^r. Daniel Waldo for his faithful Services, as an Overseer of the Poor for a Number of Years past

The Co^mittee appointed to consider & report some proper Method of ascertaining the Losses & Damages occasioned by the Army & Navy stationed in this Town & Harbour, having attended that Business, & prepared a List of such Articles as appear to them to have been destroyed, damaged or taken from the Inhabitants which they herewith present for the Consideration of the Town — They likewise propose that Hand Bills be sent to the Inhabitants informing them of the particular contain'd in the Schedule, to be delivered the Co^mittee for each ward, & that the Sufferers be therein desired to have a particular Account of their Losses ready to delivered the Co^mittee, on, or before the 10th. Day of December next. —

[81.] In this Schedule, no Acc^t. is proposed to be taken of the Losses sustained by the Port Bill, as no just estimate can be made of the loss of the Trade, & the Difficulties in carrying it on, which so great, as to induce some Merchants to quit Business & sell their Vessels at a considerable Loss. —

The General Assembly in their Resolve, having directed their Co^mittee to extend their Enquires as far back as the taking place of the Port Bill, it will be proper to take Notice of such Facts, as may be ascertained relating to the Difficulties occasioned by this cruel & barbarous Act, Viz^t. —

The Number of Vessels in the Harbor, when Advice was received of said Bill being passed, many of which went to Sea not fully loaded, others went to Salem, Plymouth and other Parts some in Ballast, & others to compleat their Loading part of which was carted from hence.

The Number & Burthen of Vessels belonging to this Town, that entered & cleared at the Port of Salem, the quantity of Goods imported in said Vessels, & the Expence of carting them from thence. —

The expence of unloading & reloading the Vessels loaded with

Victuals & Fruit, that were obliged to call at Marblehead, & be there examined, & the Expence of Carriers, Masters & Seamen travelling to & from the Harbor, where their Vessels were loading & unloading. —

There are Charges that have been paid by Owners of Vessels, & if the bare Carting the Goods imported & exported, amount to so considerable a Sum, as will appear by this Account, the Assembly may be convinced that the Inhabitants of this Town were very great Sufferers by that Act. — By Order of the Cōmittee

THOMAS DAWES Chairman

The Hand Bill reported is as follows, Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. Continental Congress, & the General Asembly of this State, having resolved, that a just & well [82.] Authenticated Account of Hostilities committed by the ministerial Troops & Navy in America, since March 1775, be collected with proper Evidence of the Truth of the Facts related; the Number and Value of the Buildings destroyed by them, also the Number & Value of the Vessels, inward & outward bound, which have been seized by them, as near as can be ascertained; also the Stock taken by them from the different Parts of the Continent. —

The Inhabitants of the Town of Boston are hereby notified, that Committees are appointed for each Ward, to ascertain the Value of the Buildings wholly destroyed, & the Expence of repairing such as were partly destroyed; also to receive from such Persons as have been Sufferers a particular Account in Writing, & on Oath, of the Losses and Damages they have suffered, either in Merchandize, Furniture, Plate, Money, or other Personal Estate: And those who have been Sufferers by the Army or Navy, are desired to get their Accounts, ready for the Cōmittees, on or before the 10th. of December next, when the Committees will attend this Business, & call upon the Inhabitants for said Accounts. And the Inhabitants are farther informed, that a Schedule is delivered to said Cōmittees, containing the Method in which they are to proceed in ascertaining the same: The Heads of each Column being as follows —

Column 1st. Names of the Sufferers, & of the Public Buildings destroyed, or otherwise damaged. —

Col. 2^d. Number & Value of dwelling Houses & other Buildings — wholly destroyed. —

Col. 3^d. Expence of repairing Dwelling Houses, Wharves & other Buildings partly destroyed. —

Col. 4th. Expence of repairing the Meeting houses, & other public Buildings, made Use of as Barracks.

Col. 5. Damages sustained in Lands on the Neck, Common, and where their Works were erected, & the Fences in every part of the Town.

Col. 6. Value of Household Furniture destroyed, damaged, or carried away by the Officers & others as appears by attested Accounts, left with the Committee

[83.] Col. 7th. Number & Value of Vessels & Cargoes, seized and taken. —

Col. 8th. Value of Stock, Hay, Grain, Houses, and other Build-

ings on the Islands & in the Harbours, taken, destroyed or damaged. —

Col. 9th. Value of Merchandize & other Effects taken from the Inhabitants, as P Account of Particulars. —

Col. 10th. Value of Salt thrown into the Sea, Liquors stove and other Articles destroyed —

Col. 11th: Yearly Rent of Dwelling Houses & other Buildings occupied by the Officers, or improved as Barracks, some of which were contracted for, & others taken by Force, & no Rent paid for either.

Col. 12th: Yearly Rent of Houses occupied by the Inhabitants removed out of Town, many of which still remain empty, as the Occupiers are not returned. —

Col. 13th; Number & Value of Arms taken from the Inhabitants lodged in the State House, & destroyed by General Howe's Order.

Col. 14th: Value of Cannon & Stores taken out of the Batteries, or destroyed, & the Town's Stock of Powder. —

Col. 15th: Charges of transporting Furniture & Families into the Country & back again to Boston. —

Col. 16th: Sum total of the Losses & Damages

The foregoing Report having been read & considered — The Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted — Passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion made, that a seperate Committee may be chosen for the special Purpose of Estimating the Damages the Town has sustained by the Boston Port Bill, so called.

Voted, that Col: Daws

M^r. Edward Payne

M^r. Joseph Barrel

M^r. Ezekiel Price

M^r. Henderson Inches

[84.] Be, & hereby are appointed a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday the 27th of November instant, 10 O'Clock Forenoon, and the Meeting was accordingly adjourned. —

Wednesday November 27th. 1776. 10, O'Clock A.M. Met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee appointed to examine the State of the Town Treasury, & the Treasurer's Accounts, Report — That they have attended that Service & find the Accounts right cast & well vouched. — The Treasurer charges himself with sundry Rents, Fines & other Incomes of the Town, to the Amount of £7122 ,, 0 ,, 2 $\frac{3}{4}$ including Ballance of old Accounts; & discharges himself by sundry Abatements made the Collectors, amounting to — £795 ,, 18 ,, 2 — by Draughts from the Selectmen of £4421 ,, 17 ,, 7 $\frac{1}{4}$ of which he has paid only £3910 ,, 14 ,, 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ — by Draughts from the Overseers of the Poor £3458 ,, 11 ,, 2 — the Charges of the Almshouses of which he has paid only £2628 ,, 18 ,, 5 — By Sundry Sums of Interest paid £167 ,, 11 ,, 7 — The Committee find the above Sums, including £1211 ,, 8 ,, 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ (bad Debts ordered by the Town to be cancelled) amount to

£10055 ,, 7 ,, 5 — which leaves a Balance against the Town
 £2933 ,, 7 ,, 2½. —

The Committee find the State by the Books in March 1775, but they apprehend the true State at the present Day, without taking into the Account a Number of nominal Debts of no Value, is thus —

Due to sundry Persons, as p. Notes — on	
Interest - - - - -	£6208 ,, 10 ,, 11½
Interest due to the present day — at least - -	800 ,, 0 ,, 0
Unpaid on the Selectmen & Overseers draughts } £1140 ,, 9 ,, 6 of which is none on Interest }	1915 ,, 2 ,, 0½
Cash borrowed in Part of the £2000 - - - }	821 ,, 14 ,, 8
— Voted in May last - - - - - }	

The whole Debts now due - - - - - £9745 ,, 7 ,, 7¾

[85.] There appears to come to the Credit
 the following sundry Debts on the
 Books to the Amount of £1489 ,, 19 ,, 9 } £230 ,, : ,, :
 which the Committee suppose will never
 neat the Town above - - - - - }

Due from Collectors of Taxes - - - Viz ^t .	
From Abraham Savage - - - -	£523
Edward Hollyday - - - - -	492
Benjamiu Gray - - - - -	345
Benjamin Henderson - - - - -	169

	£1529	
Deduct due to them for Premiums 400	}	£1129
The Town will judge what Part of this -		
is likely to be collected & when - - - -		
Due from the Estate of John Ruddock		204 ,, 13 ,, 8¾
Esq. on Account of Lotteries - - - - }		
		£1563 ,, 18 ,, 8¾

Allowing all the above to be good, which the Committee by no means think the Case, then will be a Balance against the Town of - - - - - £8181 ,, 13 ,, 11

And the Vote for the Support of the Poor - 5000 - - - -
 The current Charges for the present Year } - 2500 - - - -
 — of Schools, Town Watch &c &c will be }

Total Debt £15681 ,, 13 ,, 11

By the above it appears, when the Sums already voted, are borrowed & Provisions made for the present Year, the Town will be in Debt to the amazing Sum of £15681 ,, 13 ,, 11 — which there appears no Fund to discharge —

The Committee beg leave to suggest to the Town, whether it would not be best, in future, that the Money granted for each particular Year, should be invariably applied to defray the Expenses of that Year only, & that it be made a Rule, that the first Draughts should be first paid ; - - - - -

[86.] The Committee are of Opinion, that a Regulation of this kind, would be for the Credit of the Town, & encourage the Hearts of the Officers of the Town, as every Man then be assured

of his Money in his Turn, without any needless Attendance, & the Punctuality would prevent those *useful* Servants of the Town, the *Schoolmasters*, from appearing, by their Heirs, as Creditors of the Town. —

The Committee would farther suggest, in Order to prevent a List of Abatements of Taxes appearing yearly in the Treasurer's Accounts, that the Assessors be directed, immediately after they have taken Accounts in March of the Polls & Rateable Estates, & have estimated the same in order for an Assessment to serve the Inhabitants with an Account of what they are to be rated for, & at what the same is valued; this will give Opportunity for each Person, if overvalued, to apply to the Assessors before the Tax comes out, & when the Abatements are made in the Valuations, & the Tax is compleated, that the Assessors assert in the Tax Bill, how much in the Pound is rated; & the List of all the rateable Estates of any Person, be left with the Selectmen, or Town Treasurer, & upon for the Inspection of every one —

All which is humbly submitted

By Order of the Committee

JOSEPH BARREL, Chairman

N.B. Besides the foregoing Charge of £2500 - - - Charges of Salary Men for the present Year, it has been usual for the Selectmen's - - Draughts for other contingent Charges to amount to £2000 — which ought to be added to the present Years Expence, as it will be called for & will make the Town's Debt near *Eighteen Thousand Pounds*.

The foregoing Report was read, & after considerable Debate had thereon —

Voted, that the Town Treasurer be directed to collect from the several Debtors to the Town, whatever Sums of Money may be due from them respectively. —

Voted, that the Representatives of this Town, be, & they hereby are instructed, to use their Influence in the Gen^l. Assembly of this State, that a new Valuation be taken. —

[87.] Voted, that the farther Consideration of the Report of the Committee on the State of the Treasury, be referred to next Town Meeting, & all other Matters not acted upon in this Meeting —

The Town brought in their Votes for one Overseer of the Poor, in the Room of M^r. Barrel, who declines accepting that Trust; and upon sorting the Votes, it appeared, that

M^r. Peter Boyer

was unanimously chosen an Overseer of the Poor for the remainder of the Year. —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved, and it was accordingly dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified and legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, Thursday, the 6th. day of February, A.D. 1777. 10 O'Clock Forenoon

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for a Moderator, and upon sorting them it appeared that

M^r. Jonathan Mason
was chosen Moderator of this Meeting —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz' "To consider & determine upon the most effectual Measures to have the Act of the General Court to prevent Monopolies & Oppression, & for regulating the Prices of the Necessaries of Life & sundry Goods, strictly complied with, not only from the Laws & Authority of this State, but as absolutely necessary for the effectual Security of the essential Rights & Liberties of *America*" was read & considered — whereupon a Motion was made — That a Committee of Thirty Six Persons be chosen out of the several Wards, of such as are not in Trade, to aid & assist the Selectmen, & Committees of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, by Information, or other legal Ways, in carrying into Execution the late Act to prevent Monopolies, [88.] &c. agreeable to the true Intent & Meaning of said Act — and the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative. — also

Voted, that M^r. Ezekiel Price

M^r. Joseph Russell

M^r. Samuel Barret

M^r. Thomas Walley

M^r. John Ballard

be a Committee to consider & report, at 8 O'Clock P.M. for the Acceptance of the Town, a Number of suitable Persons for the aforesaid Committee. —

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock afternoon

8 o'Clock P M. met according to Adjournment

The Committee to report the Names of three Persons in the several Wards, to serve on the foregoing Committee — Reported accordingly — Whereupon,

Voted, that	{	Capt. Thomas Adams
Wards N ^o . 1.		John R. Sigoney
	{	M ^r . Samuel Burril
		Mess ^{rs} . Gyles Harris
2.	{	Elias Parkman
		William Page
	{	Mess ^{rs} . Joshua Pico
3.		Thomas Kimble
	{	Thomas Christie
		Mess ^{rs} . Francis Shaw Esq.
4.	{	John Prince
		Mess ^{rs} . George B. Gedney
5.	{	Thomas Sherburne Jun ^r .
		Oliver Greenleaff
	{	Mess ^{rs} . Joseph Hall
6.		Will ^m . Frobisher
	{	Samuel Sloan
[89.] Wards N ^o . 7.		Mess ^{rs} . Isaac Peirce
	{	Joseph Callender
		Ephraim Copeland

- 8. { Mess^{rs}. Jeremiah Belknap
Nathaniel Noyes
Russel Sturgis
- 9. { Mess^{rs}. William Sutton
Samuel Bass
Francis Archibald
- 10. { Mess^{rs}. Thomas Uran
Job Wheelwright
Benj^r. Cudworth Sen^r.
- 11. { Mess^{rs}. Obadiah Curtis
James Tompson - - - (Distiller)
William Fallas
- 12. { Mess^{rs}. Capt Benjamin Cobb
John Bradford jun^r.
William Lowder

be & hereby are appointed a Committee, to aid & assist the Selectmen & Committee of Correspondence &c. by Information, or other legal Ways, in carrying into Execution the late Act of this State to prevent Monopolies &c. agreeable to the true Intent & meaning thereof —

On a Motion made, Voted, unanimously, that a Committee be now chosen, to consider & report, at the Adjournment, what they judge necessary for the Town to do, in order to obtain a sufficient Supply of Provisions of all Kinds, & to promote the salutary Intentions of the late Act, to prevent Monopolies, &c.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. John Ballard
Thomas Walley
Edward Green
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Nathaniel Appleton
Joseph Russell
John Sweetser

[90.] Be, & hereby are appointed a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, 10 O'Clock A.M.

Wednesday February 12th. 1777, 10 O'Clock Forenoon

Met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee "To consider what they judge necessary for the Town to do, in Order to obtain a sufficient Supply of Provisions of all Kinds, & to promote the salutary Intention of the late Act to prevent Monopolies, &c. — Reported — and said Report having been read — Voted, that the Paragraph in said Report which relates to the procuring Flour for the Town, be recommitted — Voted, that M^r. Edward Payne, Deacon Davis & M^r. Samuel Barret be added to the above Committee.

Adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 o'Clock P.M. Town met according to Adjournment

The Committee to whom was referred the Paragraph relative to Flour, — Reported — And after the same was read and considered, Voted, that the farther Consideration thereof be referred to the Adjournment. —

Moved, that a Committee be appointed, to make Enquiry, & ascertain, as near as may be, the Quantity of Flour now in Town & what is expected soon by Water; as also to confer with some Merchants relative to the Terms on which they will import Provisions abroad for the use of the Inhabitants—to report at the Adjournment—And the Question being put—Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that John Ballard
 Thomas Walley
 Edward Green
 Benj^r. Kent Esq.
 Nathan^l. Appleton Esq.
 Joseph Russell
 John Sweetser
 Edward Payne
 [91.] Deacon Davis
 Samuel Barnet Esq.

be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid. —

The Report of the Committee relative to Monopolies, &c. was read & passed, Paragraph by Paragraph, & is as follows, Viz^t.

The Committee appointed on Thursday the 6th. current, to consider what they judge necessary for the Town to do, in order to obtain a sufficient Supply of Provisions of all Kinds, & to promote the salutary Intention of the late Act to prevent Monopolies &c. beg leave to report —

That upon the strictest Enquiry we find, that the present great Scarcity of Provisions in the Town, arises principally from a Number of Engrossers, who have monopolized great Quantities of Rum, Sugar, Molasses, Cotton-Wool, Coffee, Cocoa, &c. & most Kinds of Cloathing, & now refuse to sell (as your Committee are informed) at the Prices affixt by the late Act of the General Court, by which means the People from the Country complain that they cannot get a necessary Supply of those Articles. —

We would not be understood to charge all Traders in Town with acting so base a Part, as several worthy Inhabitants in Trade are selling their Articles agreeable to the Prices stipulated in the late Act; &, we have no Doubt, if others in Trade would follow their laudable Example, & the Stores in General were open, & Goods sold agreeable to said Prices, we should soon have as full a Supply of Provisions from the Country, as is usual at this Season of the Year. —

It is therefore most earnestly recommended to all the Inhabitants of this Town, that have any Articles more then they want for their Consumption, that they would immediately comply with the Act, by selling them agreeable to the Prices fixt therein, as they request the Peace of the Town, the Distresses of the poor, fixing our *Medium* to a certain Value, & strengthening the Hands of Government, at this *Critical & Important Day*. —

[92.] Your Committee likewise of Opinion, that it would be proper for the Town to encourage a Number of Fishermen in Addition to those already in that Business, that the Town may be more fully supplied with Fresh Fish

We beg leave farther to recommend to the Town, that the Committee of Correspondence be desired to write to the Committees of Correspondence in the neighbouring Towns, informing them of what this Town has done, & desiring them to use their Endeavors, to prevent any Misunderstanding by false Reports spread by the Tory Party, & to assure them, that the Inhabitants will exert themselves to the utmost, that the People in the Country Towns shall be supplied with Articles, agreeable to the Prices affixt in the late Act of this State for preventing Monopolies, &c.

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Fryday next, 3 O'Clock P. M. ———

Fryday the 14th of February, 3 O'Clock P. M. Met according to Adjournment ———

The Committee appointed "to make Enquiry, and to ascertain as near as may be, the Quantity of Flour now in Town & what is expected soon by Water; as also to confer with some Merchants relative to the Terms, on which they will import Flour from abroad, for the Use of the Inhabitants"—Report,—That on the strictest Enquiry & fullest Information, they find in the Possession of Col: Doane between two & three hundred Barrels—of M^r. Thomas Boylston two hundred—& of the several Bakers upwards of an hundred, the whole Quantity not exceeding Six Hundred ———

That they have the pleasure to be informed, that several Gentlemen have ordered, & expect the several Quantities hereafter mentioned—Viz^t.

	M ^r . William Foster	- - - - -	700	bbls
	Cap Hains	- - - - -	600	
	M ^r . Smith	- - - - -	400	
[93.]	Capt Prince	- - - - -	600	bbls
	Mess ^{rs} . Pitts & Call	- - - - -	500	
	M ^r . Winthrop	- - - - -	900	making

in the whole Three Thousand Seven Hundred ———

That M^r. Powell has assured them, that he will send a Vessel, which he has ready, for six hundred bbls, as soon as he can be advised of the Withdraw of certain British Ships of War; now infesting the River & Capes of Delaware.—That M^r. Jepson has engaged to send for Six Hundred & Fifty.—These, with what are now on hand, will amount to five thousand nine hundred Barrels.

Your Committee farther report, that upon freely conversing with several Importers of that Article, it is their Opinion that Gentlemen may be found, who will undertake to import for the Use of the Inhabitants, the whole Quantity which may be necessary to make up the Deficiency arising from Captures of those expected, & the Inadiquacy of the Supply (should even the whole already ordered arrive) on being assured of a reasonable Profit on the same. ———

The foregoing Report having been read & considered— and the Question being put— Whether the same shall be accepted— Passed in the Affirmative

M^r. Lindal Pitts attended by Desire of the Inhabitants, and

gave the Town Satisfaction, as to the Quantity of Flour by him imported & what remained unsold —

M^r. Boylston attended, & informed the Town that he did not know but he might have near 300 Barrels of Flour at this Market

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. John Ballard

Thomas Walley
Edward Green
Benjamin Kent Esq.
Nathaniel Appleton Esq.
M^r. Joseph Russell
M^r. John Sweetser
M^r. Edward Payne
Caleb Davis Esq.
Samuel Barrett Esq

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be a Committee to confer with the Importers of Flour relative to the Terms, on which they will import a Quantity of that Article, for the Use of the Inhabitants, & to report at the Adjournment. —

Adjourned to Monday next the 17th. of February, 10 O'Clock Forenoon. —

The Committee appointed on the 14th. Instant, To confer with the Importers of Flour, relative to the Terms on which they will import a Quantity of that Article for the Use of the Inhabitants — Reported & after considerable Debate had thereon, — A motion was made, & the Question accordingly put — That said Report be withdrawn — Passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion made — Voted, that a Committee be appointed to apply to all those Persons in this Town, who are possessed of Flour, West India, or other Goods, enumerated in the Act against Monopoly & Oppression, & require of them a direct Answer to the following Question — *Will you take the Price set by this State?* — And report the Names & Answers of said Persons, that the same may be made Public in the News Papers — to shew the Readiness of the Inhabitants of this Town to comply with said Acts — Also

Voted, that the Committee appointed for the several Wards to aid the Selectmen & Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, by Information or other legal Ways, be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to 3 O'Clock P.M.

3 o'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment

On a Motion made, Voted, that a Committee be appointed to consider & report what they judge will be the most suitable Methods to obtain a Supply of Provisions for the Inhabitants of this Town

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Shubael Hewes

M^r. John Ballard
Capt Dalton
Henry Williams
Josiah Torrey
Joseph Greenleaff Esq.
M^r. Adam Colson

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be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid. —

On a Motion made, the Question was put, Viz^t. — Whether the Town will encourage such Inhabitants with their Custom, as shall set up Butchers Stalls in this Town, for the Supply of the Inhabitants with Provisions — Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next the 19th. Instant. 3 o'Clock P.M. —

3 O'Clock, February 19th. Town met according to Adjournment Committee appointed to make Enquiry of the Merchants & Traders in the several Wards — “ Whether they will take the Price set by this State on their Goods ”? — Reported, all but the Committee for Ward N^o. 2 — which Reports were accepted by the Town

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Moderator of this Meeting be desired to acquaint the Attorney General of this State, That it is the Desire of the Town, that he would give Information to the Grand Jury now sitting, of all Persons that act in Violation of the Law to prevent Monopolies &c as they shall come to his Knowledge. —

Voted, that M^r. Harbottle Dorr be added to the Committee for Ward N^o. 2. to make Enquiry &c —

Voted, that M^r. Jonathan Brown be of the Committee for Ward N^o. 1. in the Room of Capt Thomas Adams, who declines. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to let such Persons occupy *Gratis*, 'till the farther Order of the Town, the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market, & such only as are not Fore-stallers, & will bring in their Provisions, & dispose of them to the Inhabitants in larger, or smaller Quantities, [96.] Agreeable to the true Intent & Meaning of the late Act to prevent Monopoly & Oppression.

Voted, that the Inhabitants of this Town be desired not to go beyond the Hay Market to purchase Fuel, or Provisions, as they would regard the Interest of the Town in general, & avoid the Displeasure of their Fellow Citizens

The Committee appointed to consider & report what they shall judge to be the most suitable Methods to obtain a Supply of Provisions for the Inhabitants of this Town — Reported — and had to withdraw this Report —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be & hereby are given to M^r. Jonathan Mason, the Moderator of this Meeting for his good Services. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at the Old Brick Meeting House, December 4th. 1776

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - - - read-
Upon a Motion made, Voted, to come to the Choice of a Moderator by a Hand Vote. —

M^r. Jonathan Mason chosen Moderator of this Meeting not being able to attend. —

Benjamin Kent Esq.
was chosen Moderator of the Meeting. —

Samuel Barret Esq.
was chosen, unanimously, an Overseer of the Poor, in the Room of M^r. Peter Boyer, who declined serving. —

The Article in the Warrent, Viz^t. "To consider & determine, Whether a Petition shall be presented to the Great & General Court of this State, praying that this Town may be [97.] Enabled to raise immediately, what shall be judged & determined by the Hon^{ble}. Court, to be their full Quota, or Proportion of the Number of Men, this State is to raise, for the Continental Army, accordingly to a Resolve of the Hon^{ble}. the Continental Congress, instead of draughting a Part of their Militia, as ordered by a late Act" — was read & Considered — Whereupon

Voted, that Benjamin Kent Esq.

Samuel Barret Esq.

Thomas Daws Esq.

M^r. Joseph Barret

M^r. Ellis Gray

M^r. Ebenezer Dorr

M^r. Ezekiel Price

be a Committee to draught a Petition to the General Court, for the Purpose aforesaid to be reported at the Adjournment. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to To-morrow 10 o'Clock A.M. to meet at Faneuil Hall. —

Thursday the 5th. day of December 1776, 10 o'Clock A.M. met at Faneuil Hall according to Adjournment. —

The Committee appointed to draught a Petition to the General Court — Reported the following Draught, Viz^t,
State of Massachusetts' Bay,

To the Hon^{ble}. the Council & House of Representatives of said State, in General Court assembled. —

The Petition of the Inhabitants of the Town of Boston,
Humbly sheweth,

That by a late Act of this State, one fourth Part of all the able Bodied Men of the Militia is to be raised by Inlistmen, Lot, or Draught, & to remain in the Service three Months only, from the Time of their Mustering. —

That your Petitioners always have been, & even now, [98.] Altho' so peculiarly reduced by the present War, are ready to contribute their full Proportion of Aid & Assistance in every respect, especially for the carrying on & supporting the present Contest.

But your Petitioners beg leave to represent to your Honors, that they have good Reason to apprehend, they could raise such a Number of Men, to serve for three Years, or during the War, as would be their full Quota or Proportion of the whole Number assigned

for this State by the Hon^{ble}. Continental Congress; & that they can effect the same, near, or quite as soon, as the time in which they will be able to procure the Men, who are to serve only for three Months —

Your Petitioners are led to this Step, not only from the Apprehension they have of being able to effect the same, but in Order to save very large Sums, that must Necessarily be expended to raise Men for three Months only, a Term scarcely sufficient to arrive even at the Seat of War; & certainly too Short, to acquire any Military Knowledge, though long enough to suffer many of the ill-Conveniencies of the Campaign; to nothing of the Advantages the Soldier has, who has seen Service, over the new Recruits — That he is seasoned to the Difficulties, & gets a Relish for that Way of Life, & is not exposed to the Disorders of a Camp, — whereas frequent Draughts, tho' for a short time, take our Men from their necessary Occupation, & give them a Habit of Idleness, which cannot fail of being very prejudicial to the State at large, & must be extremely distressing to all, & ruinous to many of their Families, whose Heads are called from them by Lot, or taken by the more disagreeable Alternative of Draught. —

Your Petitioners therefore pray your Honors to give Orders, that this Town may raise its just Quota of the Levies assigned, in the Way they now propose: But in Case they cannot procure the whole in this way, the aforesaid Act may stand in force, as to any Deficiency, until the whole is compleated

And your Petitioners as in Duty bound &c

[99.] The foregoing Petition having been read and considered —

Voted, that the same be accepted, & that a fair Draughts of the Petition be taken; & that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be desired to sign & present the same to the General Court in behalf of this Town. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next, 10 o'Clock Forenoon, at the Old Brick Meeting House. —

Met according to Adjournment, Monday the 9th. day of December, 10 o'Clock Forenoon, Old Brick Meeting House. —

Benjamin Kent Esq'. in the Chair

After considerable Time spent in Debates, on a Motion made —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved — and it was accordingly dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified and legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Wednesday the 5th. day of March Anno Domini 1777. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read —

Jonathan Williams Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting —

The Committee appointed by the Town, the 5th. of March last, to

apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration, the 5th. of March Instant, to perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the fifth of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers under the Command of Capt Thomas Preston of the 29th. Regiment — Reported —

[100.] “That having met together several Times for the Purpose mentioned in the Town Vote, they had unanimously made Choice of Benjamin Hitchburne Esq. to deliver an Oration the fifth of March Instant, who had accordingly accepted of that Service.”

The above Report having been made by the Chairman of the Committee, the Question was put — Whether the same shall be accepted? — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Upon a Motion made, the Town took into Consideration, what would be the best Time to have the Oration pronounced, as also what Place would be most suitable for the Purpose — Whereupon

Voted, that the Oration be delivered at 12 o’Clock at the Old Brick Meeting House, the Hall not being capacious enough to receive the Inhabitants, that attended upon the Occasion, the Committee of that Society, having, upon Application, consented that the Meeting House should be made use of for this Purpose. —

Voted, that John Brown Esq.

Nathaniel Barber Esq.

John Pitts Esq.

be a Committee to wait upon Benjamin Hitchburne Esq. & acquaint him, that it is the Desire of the Town, that the Oration may be delivered at the Old Brick Meeting House, 12 o’Clock Forenoon —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to the Old Brick Meeting House, 12 O’Clock Forenoon —

The Town met accordingly to Adjournment at the Old Brick Meeting House, Twelve O’Clock. —

The Committee appointed to wait upon Benjamin Hitchburne Esq. to acquaint him with the Vote of the Town, respecting the Time & Place for the Delivery of an Oration — Reported [101.] “That said Gentleman was ready to comply with the Orders of the Town.” —

An Oration to commemorate the horrid Massacre of the Fifth of March 1770, & to impress upon the Minds of the Citizens the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities &c. was deliver’d by Benjamin Hitchburne Esq, to a large & crowded Audience, and received by them with great Applause. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded,

Voted unanimously that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to Benjamin Hitchburne Esq. for the spirited Oration, delivered by him, at their Request in Commemoration of the horrid Massacre perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers of the 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Capt Thomas Preston Also,

Voted, that Jonathan Williams Esq

M^r. Ellis Gray
 John Brown Esq
 Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq
 Col: Henry Jackson
 M^r. Hermon Brimmer
 M^r. William Cooper

be a Committee to wait upon Benjamin Hitchburne Esqr, & in the Name of the Town to request of him a Copy of the said Oration for the Press.

On a Motion made & seconded,

Voted that Jonathan Williams Esq.

M^r. Ellis Gray
 John Brown Esq
 Hon^{ble}. Tho^s. Cushing Esq.
 Col: Henry Jackson
 M^r. Hermon Brimmer
 M^r. William Cooper
 Benjamin Hitchburne Esq.

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be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to apply to a proper Gentleman to deliver an Oration on the 5th. of March next, to perpetuate the Memory of the horrid Massacre, perpetrated on the Evening of the 5th. of March 1770, by a Party of Soldiers of the 29th. Regiment, under the Command of Capt Thomas Preston: And to impress upon our Minds the ruinous Tendency of standing Armies being placed in free & populous Cities in a Time of Peace; & the Necessity of such noble Exertions in all future Times, as the Inhabitants of the Town then made, whereby the Designs of the Conspirators against the public Peace may be still frustrated. —

A Collection was made at this Meeting for M^r. Christopher Monk, a young Man now languishing under a Wound by a Shot received in his Lungs by a Shot from Preston's bloody Party of Soldiers on the 5th. of March 1770 — This Collection amounted to

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be, & hereby are given to Jonathan Williams Esq, Moderator of this Meeting for his good Services.

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall the 10th day of March, Anno Domini 1777, 9 o'Clock Forenoon. —

Prayer was made by the Reverend D^r. Eliot. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read. —

Sundry Laws enjoined to be read at this Meeting were accordingly read —

The Hon^{ble} Thomas Cushing Esq was chosen Moderator of this Meeting by a majority of Votes, & took his Seat accordingly —

M^r. William Cooper was chosen Town Clerk for the Year ensuing by a Majority of Votes, & took his Place accordingly. —

[103.] The Town proceeded to the Choice of nine Selectmen & the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

John Scollay Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Austin
 Oliver Wendell Esq.
 John Pitts Esq.
 John Brown Esq. - - excused
 M^r. Ellis Gray - - - excused
 Capt Gustavus Fellows
 M^r. Harbottle Dorr
 James Bowdoin jun^r - excused

were chosen Selectmen for the Year ensuing

Adjourned to 3 o'Clock P.M.

3 o'Clock P.M. Met according to Adjournment —

The Inhabitants bro't in their Votes for a Selectman in the Room of M^r. Bowdoin, who declined serving, & upon sorting the Votes it appeared that Nathaniel Appleton Esq was chosen — Upon his also declining to serve the Town bro't in their Votes for one in the Room of M^r. Appleton, & upon sorting them it appeared that

M^r. Thomas Greenough

was chosen a Selectmen for the Year ensuing. —

The Town bro't in their Votes for twelve Overseers of the Poor, & upon sorting them it appeared that

The hon^{ble}. William Phillips Esq.

Isaac Smith Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Mason

Capt Sam^l. Partridge

M^r. Sam^l. Whitwell

M^r. John White

Edward Procter Esq.

Will^m. Powell Esq.

M^r. John Sweetser jun^r.

M^r. Edward Payne

Samuel Barret Esq.

M^r. Samuel Hewes

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were chosen Overseers of the Poor for the Year ensuing. —

The Inhabitants bro't in their Votes for a Committee of Correspondence Inspection & Safety, & upon sorting them it appeared, that —

Col. Nathaniel Barber

M^r. John Winthrop

William Makay

Edward Procter Esq.

Benj^a. Hitchburne Esq.

Perez Morton Esq.

Capt John Simkins

M^r. Moses Grant

Francis Shaw Esq.

M^r. Ebenezer Dorr

M^r. Benj^a. Burt

D^r. Peter Roberts

M^r. Henry Bass
 M^r. Will^m. Davis
 Capt Amasa Davis
 M^r. Hermon Brimmer

were chosen a Committee of Correspondence Inspection & Safety for the Year ensuing. —

The Town bro't in their Votes for Sixteen Fire Wards, & upon Sorting them it appeared that

John Scollay Esq.
 Newman Greenough Esq.
 M^r. William Cooper
 Edward Procter Esq.
 Caleb Davis Esq.
 Major Andrew Symms
 Capt. Joseph Webb
 M^r. John Winthrop
 Francis Shaw Esq.
 Thomas Crafts Esq.
 Ebenezer Hancock Esq.
 Paul Reviere Esq.
 M^r. Thomas Tileston
 Capt John Pulling
 Capt Gustavus Fellows
 Capt John Ballard

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were chosen Fire Wards for the Year ensuing. —

Adjourned to the next Day 10 o'Clock forenoon

Tuesday 10 'Clock forenoon met according to Adjournment. —

Upon a Motion made & seconded, the Question was put — Whether Collectors of Taxes shall be chose seperate from Constables — Passed in the Affirmative

Voted, that the Sum of Five Pounds be remitted out of the Ten Pounds, Fine, to those persons who shall be chose into the Office of Constable for the Year ensuing. —

Votes for twelve Constables bro't in, the persons chosen into the Office are

Mess^r. John Wells
 Tho^s. Stevinson
 Joseph Helyer - - - - - excused
 George Thomas
 Thomas Bradford - - - - - excused
 Joseph Foye
 John Russel
 Sam^l. Greenleaff
 Benjamin Clark
 John Coverly
 John Bennet
 Matthew Wakefield
 John Bartlet

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Mess^r. William Crafts
 John Lambert jun^r.
 Nathaniel Wales

- Stephen Wales
 Nathan Hancock
 were chose Fence Viewers for the Year ensuing. —
 Mess^r. Clement Collins
 Abraham Howard
 Andrew Symms
 Joseph Buttler
 Benj^r. Page
 Joseph Ford
 John Rogers
 Thomas Uran
 Edward Ranger
 John Bulfinch jun .
 Joseph Ballard
 James Blake
 John Lambert jun^r.
 Nathan Hancock
 Ebenezer Flood
 John Champney
 were chose Surveyors of Boards for the Year ensuing —
 M^r. Henry Blaisdel
 was chosen a Surveyor of Boards for the Year ensuing. —
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 was chosen a Surveyor of Hemp for the Year ensuing.
 Mess^r. Samuel Bangs
 Jacob Holland
 Benjamin Bass
 Nathan Green
 were chose Sealers of Leather for the Year ensuing.
 [107.] M^r. Adam Colson
 was chosen an Informer of Deer for the Year ensuing.
 Mess^r. John Owen
 Peter Cotta
 Manaasseh Masters
 Benj^r. Bernard
 Edward Cowell
 Israel Cook
 Richard Flood
 Samuel Prichard
 Benjamin Sault
 Jacob Williams
 Joshua Pico
 were chosen Cullers of Staves & Hoops for the year ensuing
 Mess^r. John Wears
 Elijah Searl
 Will^m. M^rFadden
 were chose Hogreeves for the Year ensuing —
 M^r. George Hamlin
 was chosen a Hayward for the year ensuing. —
 Mess^r. Jonathan Farnum — Ward N^o. 1
 William Williams 2
 John Harris 3

Joseph Butler	4
Jonathan Stoddard	5
John Rogers	6
Edward Lad Saunders	7
Thomas Bradford	8
Thomas Russel	9
Samuel Selben	10
Philip Freeman jun ^r .	11
Nathaniel Cobbet	12

were chose Scavengers for the Year ensuing

[108.] The Selectmen

were chose Surveyers of the High Ways for the Year ensuing

Mess^r. John White

John Lucas

were chose Surveyors of Wheat for the Year ensuing —

Jonathan Williams Esq.

M^r. John Sweetser

M^r. Timothy Newell

were chose Purchasers of Grain for the Year ensuing ; & they are desired & impowered to give all needful Direction to the Keeper of the Granary respecting the Quantity of Grain to be sold, & affixing the Price thereof from time to time, as occasion shall require ; & the said Committee are desired & directed to cause all the Grain belonging to the Town to be ground at the new Mills, near the Mill Bridge, lately occupied by M^r. Leonard. — :

Mess^r. Thomas Green

John Skinner

were chose Assay Masters for the Year ensuing. —

Voted, that M^r. Ebenezer Storer

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Nathan^l. Appleton Esq.

Col. Thomas Daws

M^r. Tuttle Hubbard

be & they hereby are appointed a Co^mittee to audit the Accounts of M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, & also the Accounts of the Overseers of the Poor, and the said Committee are impowered, when they shall audit said Accounts, to allow such of the Overseers as shall advance Money for the Relief of the Poor, Interest on all such Sums as shall be so advanced, until they shall have audited said Accounts ; & they are also desired to report from time to time, a State of the Treasury respecting the Debts & Credits, & on any other Matters that they may think proper. —

[109.] The Town bro^t in their Votes for Two Selectmen in the room of M^r. Brown & M^r. Gray, who declined serving, and upon Sorting the Votes it appeared that

Jonathan Williams Esq.

Capt John Preston

were chose Selectmen for the Year ensuing. —

Votes for a County Treasurer, bro^t in, & being sealed up in Town Meeting, were delivered to M^r. Constable Bennet, to be by him returned to the Court of General Sessions at their next Meeting. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be. & hereby are given to M^r. Benjamin Dolbear for his faithful Services, as an Overseer of the poor, for many years past. —

The Inhabitants brought in their Votes for Seven Assessors, & upon sorting them it appeared that

Deacon Benjamin Church
M^r. Jonathan Brown
Capt Samuel Downe
Gyles Harris Esq.
M^r. William Lowder
M^r. George B. Gidney
M^r. Thomas Foster

were chosen Assessors for the Year ensuing —

On a Motion made Voted, that the Assessors be, and hereby are directed, to prepare a List of the Names of such persons as have left the Town, with the Amount of the Taxes they have usually paid. —

Adjourned to Fryday next 3 'Clock P.M. —

Fryday the 14th. of March 3 o'Clock P.M. Town met according to Adjournment. —

Mess^r. Nathaniel Greenough

Edward Gray

Lindal Pitts

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Joseph Sherburne jun^r.

Elias Parkman

Andrew Brimmer

Henry Prentice

James Foster Condy

William Sherburne

William Mollineux

Nicolas Bowes

Capt Isaac Cazneau

were chose Clerks of the Market for the Year ensuing.

Voted, that the Assessors be, & hereby are impowered & directed to sit for Abatement of such Taxes, as they shall judge reasonable, on every Wednesday until the last Wednesday in April inclusive, & no longer, saving that they be allowed to sit the two last Weeks in November, for the Abatement of the Taxes of such persons as had not an Opportunity of applying in the above limited time, by reason of their being out of the Province; at which time they are also allowed & impowered to abate the Taxes of such persons as may have died insolvent between the said last Wednesday in April & the last Day of November. —

Mess^r. Thomas Crafts

Joshua Bentley

Joseph Martin

William Fallass

were chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, but declined accepting & were accordingly excused by the Town. —

Voted, that the Consideration of Schoolmasters Salaries & all other Salaries & Grants be referred over to next May Meeting. —

The Article in the Warrant, viz^t. "To consider whether any thing farther can be done by the Town, to promote the salutary Intentions of the late Act, To prevent Monopoly & Oppression," was read & considered — Whereupon —

[111.] Voted that M^r. Ezekiel Price
 Samuel Barrett Esq
 Thomas Daws Esq
 M^r. Joseph Barrel
 M^r. William Bant
 M^r. Martin Brimmer

be a Committee to consider said Article, and report to the Town at the Adjournment. —

The Clause in the Warrant, viz^t. "To consider what Steps are necessary to prevent the Inconveniences & Danger that may happen from persons resorting to, or residing in the Town, who are justly suspected of being inimical to the American States" — was read & Considered — whereupon

Voted, that Benjamin Kent Esq.
 M^r. William Davis
 M^r. William Gooch
 Col Edward Procter
 M^r. William Bant
 Capt John Ballard
 Francis Shaw Esq.

be a Committee to consider the same, & report at the Adjournment

Capt Edward Carnes
 was chosen Surveyor of Hemp, in the Room of M^r. Austin, who has resigned. —

The Town bro't in their Votes for twelve Wardens & upon sorting them it appeared, that

[112.] C. John Simpkins
 M^r. John Lowell
 M^r. Samuel Sloan
 Capt Samuel Ridgway
 M^r. Stephen Hall
 Capt Samuel Payne
 M^r. Adam Colson
 M^r. Thomas Baley
 M^r. Moses Grant
 M^r. Thomas Fleet
 M^r. Henry Bass
 M^r. Nathaniel Barber

were chosen Wardens for the Year ensuing. —

Adjourned to next Wednesday Fortnight 3 'Clock P. M.

3 'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment

On a motion made, the Question was put, viz^t. "Whether the Town will reconsider their Vote for referring the Grant of Moneys to May next?" — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Voted, that the Sum of Eight thousand five Hundred Pounds be raised by a Tax upon Polls & Estates within this Town for the

Relief of the Poor, & defraying other necessary Charges arising within the Town the ensuing Year. —

Voted, that the Sum of one Shilling & six Pence on the Pound be, & hereby is allowed to such persons as shall be chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing, for all such Sums as they shall collect, provided they pay the same into the several Treasuries within four Months — Twelve pence on the pound on all such other Sums, as they shall have paid into said Treasuries, within Eight Months; & Six Pence on the Pound on the Remainder of the Sums they shall be obliged to collect, provided such Remainder shall be fully paid in, on or before the second Monday in March 1778 — This Premium as above expressed, appears to be just & equitable, & an ample Allowance to the Collectors to encourage them to discharge their Duty with Diligence & Fidelity; provided also that each of said Collectors give Bond with sufficient Sureties to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen for the faithful Discharge of their Duty in said Office, & complying with this Vote.

The Committee appointed “ To consider whether any thing further can be done by the Town to promote the salutary Intentions of the [113.] Late Act to prevent Monopoly & Oppression ” — gave in the following Report, which was accepted, Nem: Cont: — Viz^t.

Whereas there are now in this Town a Number of Persons some of whom have removed from the Country hither, others whose Principles are known to be *unfriendly* to our present Contest with Britons, & some, who would sacrifice the public Interest to satisfy their Lust & Appetites, are daily using every Means in their Power, not only to frustrate the good Intention of the Act of this State to prevent Monopoly & Oppression, but to lessen & depreciate the Value of the Money established by the Continental Congress, & the several United States in America — that such public Enemies may be known, & to avoid as much as may be the fatal Consequences of the wicked Designs of those Persons — It is — Resolved that the Committee of Correspondence Inspection & Safety, be, & hereby are desired, to use their utmost Endeavors to obtain the Names of those Persons, who shall hereafter be so daring, as to be guilty of the Breach of said Act, & represent them in the Public News Papers, as dangerous Enemies to the United States of America, by endeavoring not only to lessen, but destroy the Medium of Trade, and thereby unavoidably reduce the People of this State if not the *united* States to the utmost Misery & Distress. —

The Committee appointed to consider what Steps are necessary to prevent the Inconveniency & Danger that may happen from Persons resorting to, or residing in the Town of Boston, who are justly suspected of being *Inimical* to the United States, — Report, as our unanimous Opinion, That a Committee of Twelve suitable persons one in each Ward, be chosen to take the Names of all Persons, who have come to reside in Town, since the 19th. of April 1775 — said Committee are also to take the Names of all Refugees & other disaffected Persons & to take the Names of the Towns & States, from whence such persons come, who are justly

suspected of being inimical to the States of America; & make Report from time to time [114.] To the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, to be used by them, as Occasion may require; — also, that said Committee be directed, in a Body, or by the Major part of them, to visit said Wards. —

Benjamin Kent, Chairman p. Order —

The foregoing Report having been read & considered, it was Voted, that the same be accepted — and that —

Mess ^{rs} . Joshua Bentley	for Ward N ^o . 1
John Lambert	2
Benjamin White	3
Alexander Edwards	4
Capt Jonathan Stoddard	5
Benjamin Sumner	6
John Rogers	7
Benjamin Edes	8
Nicolas Bowes	9
Adam Colson	10
William Fallass	11
William Gooch	12

be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid —

On a Motion, Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to apply to the Committee of Sequestration for the Fire Buckets in the Province House, they to be accountable for the same, & to dispose of them as they may judge for the Safety of the Town. —

The Town brought in their Votes for four Collectors, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

- M^r. Benjamin Cudworth
- M^r. Josiah Torry
- M^r. Oliver Greenleaff — excused
- M^r. Benjamin Sumner

were chose Collectors of Taxes for the Year ensuing —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to M^r. Cushing the Moderator. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

[115.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, Saturday, the 3^d. Day of May 1777 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

The hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. was chosen Moderator, but not attending,

Benjamin Kent Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting by a Hand Vote —

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. “To take the Mind of the Town with respect to the best Method of Preparation & Defence at this important Crisis” — and after some Debate

Voted, that M^r. Henderson Inches

Col: Sears

Col: Thomas Daws
 M^r. Read
 Col: Thomas Crafts
 M^r. Ellis Gray
 Col: Sergeant
 Robert Pierpoint Esq
 Col: Jabez Hatch

be a Committee to take this Article of the Warrant under Consideration & report at the Adjournment —

Adjourned to 4 o'Clock P.M. —

4 o'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment —

Capt John Marston, Chairman of the Committee to purchase Muskets with the Money allowed by the Province, for broken Guns left by the Enemy, being called upon for the purpose Reported verbally — That he had purchased a Number of small Arms & disposed of them to the Inhabitants, agreeable to the Vote of the Town.

The Committee of the Town appointed to consider the best Method of Preparation & Defence, at this important Crisis beg leave [116.] To report, That it is the Opinion of the Town, that the Harbour be block'd up by the sinking of the Hulks (& of Cheavaux de Frize if necessary) so far as to prevent the Entrance of the Enemy's Ships —

That a Petition be preferred to the General Court, that they would give leave to the Board of War to furnish the Militia of this Town with the necessary Arms & Accoutrements, they being accountable for them —

That the General Court be requested to suspend the Draught ordered for Providence, & in lieu thereof accept a Number of Volunteers to do Duty in this Town & Harbor, under Col: Crafts, at the present Emergency — & that they immediately take some effectual Measures to secure us from our internal Enemies, which we apprehend cannot be accomplished but by a total Separation —

The Committee also beg leave to recommend to the Town that they give the Committee of Fortifying all the Assistance in their Power, for compleating the Works on Noddles Island

HENDERSON INCHES, P Order —

The above Report having been read & accepted, Voted, that the Committee who made the above Report, be desired to draft a Petition, & present the same to the General Court, first laying the same before the Town for their Approbation.

Adjourned to Monday 5th Instant, 9 'Clock A.M.

Monday 9 'Clock forenoon, met according to Adjournment —

The Committee appointed to draught a Petition to the General Assembly, Reported as follows,

May it please your Honors,

The Inhabitants of the Town of Boston deeply affected with the Necessity & Importance of their being prepared against any Invasion from our cruel & inveterate Foes, deprived of their Arms by the perfidious Conduct of General Gage, & disappointed in

their many Exertions to replace them, earnestly pray your Honors, that you would give leave to the Board of War to furnish them with the [117.] Necessary Arms & Accoutrements for their Militia, the Town being answerable for the same —

And your Petitioners farther pray, that your Honors would remit the last Draught ordered to be made upon them, for Providence, & in Lieu thereof accept a Number of Voluntiers, to do Duty in the Town & Harbour under Col: Crafts. —

Alarmed at the Danger to which they are continually exposed, by the Residence of Prisoners & other disaffected Persons among us — a danger which in an Invasion, might be attended with fatal Consequences — Your Petitioners pray your Honors, that immediate Orders be given for the Reception & necessary Confinement of Prisoners of every Rank — & that effectual Measures be taken to secure us from our internal Enemies, which we apprehend cannot be accomplished, but by a total & instant Separation. —

They therefore pray that whenever it shall appear to such Persons as the Hon^{ble} Court shall please to appoint, that the Residence of any Person or Persons in this Town, is inconsistent with the public peace & safety, that they be appointed & impowered to remove immediately such Persons & their Families, to any place of the United States, and making their Return, without leave first obtained of the General Court, Treason against the State. —

The foregoing Petition having been read & considered, Voted, that a fair Draught be taken of the same, and presented immediately to the General Court by One of our Representatives signed by the Town Clerk, in behalf & by Order of this Town

Voted, that Col: Isaac Sears

Capt Fortesque Vernon

Capt Sam^l. Dashwood

Capt Gustavus Fellows

Capt Job Prince

Capt Isaac Phillips

Capt Silas Atkins

[118.] Be a Committee to advise & assist the Committee appointed by the General Assembly for sinking Hulks in the Harbour. —

Adjourned to Wednesday next 10 'Clock forenoon.

May 7th Wednesday 10 'Clock forenoon met according to Ajourment. —

The Resolve of the General Court relative to several Matters contain'd in the Town's Petition — laid before the Town — also a Resolve of the General Court respecting a form of new Government. —

Voted, that the Selectment be requested to apply to the Field Officers of the Boston Regiment, for a Return of the Names of such persons belonging to said Regiment, as are not furnished with Arms, & are not able to purchase them; & the Selectmen are hereby impowered to receive said Arms &c agreeable to the Resolve of the General Court for that Purpose, & that they de-

liver the Arms to the Captains of the several Companies, & by them delivered to said persons, they to be accountable for the same.

On a Motion made, Voted, that the forgoing Vote be reconsidered, & that the Selectmen be directed & improved to apply to the Board of War, for the 750 Arms to be by them disposed of, agreeable to the Resolve of the General Court. —

Voted, that the Selectmen be, & hereby are directed & impowered, to borrow on Interest a sum of Money, sufficient to purchase therewith Ammunition for the Town Stock, & the Supply of the Inhabitants according to the Law: And the Town Treasurer is hereby directed & impowered to give his Notes for the same; & that the Selectmen have a sufficient Number of Cartridges made up for immediate use.

Moved & Voted, that the Committee of Correspondence Inspection & Safety, immediately wait upon the Council of this State, & inform them, that, as the several Forts in this Town, & [119.] Harbor are now destitute of Soldiers, & the Town apprehend immediate Danger therefrom, that the Council would therefore be pleased to take such Order thereon, as may be necessary for the present Security of said Forts. —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to Benjamin Kent Esq. Moderator for his good Services. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitant of the Town of Boston duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, Saturday the 17th. day of May Anno Domini 1777. —

Warrant for calling the Meeting, read. —

Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq. chosen Moderator of this Meeting by a Hand Vote, having excused himself from Serving. —

M^r. Jonathan Mason was chosen Moderator of this Meeting, & took his Seat accordingly. —

Warrant for calling this Meeting again read; also the Act relative to inimical Persons in this Town. —

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. "To chuse by Ballot some Person firmly attached to the American Cause, to procure Evidence that may be had of the inimical Dispositions, towards this, or any of the United States, of any Inhabitants of this Town, who shall be charged by the Freeholders of being a Person whose Residence in this State is dangerous to the public peace or Safety" — was read, & after long Debate — a motion was made, that the Sense of the Town be taken, whether they will now come to the Choice of such a Person — the Motion being withdrawn, [120.] The Inhabitants were directed to bring in their Votes for a Person to procure Evidences &c agreeable to a late Act of the Court. — The Votes being bro't in & sorted, it appeared, that

William Tudor Esq.

was chosen for the purpose aforesaid. —

Adjourned to 3 o'Clock P. M. —

3 O'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment.

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Selectmen be desired to retire, & make a List of such Persons as they shall know, or believe to be inimical to the united States, and lay the same before the Town. —

Voted, that M^r. Justice Greenleaff be desired to lay before the Town the Books, which contain the Names of the Associations &c. — which were accordingly laid before the Town. —

The Selectmen laid before the Town a List of persons they judged to be inimical to the united States. —

Voted that M^r. John Winthrop jun^r.

Thomas Crafts Esq.

Col: Reveire

Deacon Caleb Davis

Col: Isaac Sears

be a Comitte to wait upon One of the Hon^{ble}. Council of this State & desire that the Persons voted by the Town to be inimical persons to these States, be immediately apprehended & confined —

Adjourned to Monday Morning 10 o'Clock

Monday Morning 10 'Clock met according to Adjournment —

The Committee chosen on the Saturday, reported, That they had applied, agreeable to the Order of the Town, unto One of the Hon^{ble}. Board, that the Persons Voted to be inimical to these States, might be apprehended & confined — But that they had received for [121.] Answer, that this could not be done by him without Advice of Council. —

The following List of such Persons belonging to this Town, as have been endeavouring since the 19th. of April 1775, to counteract the united Struggles of this & the neighboring States, in the Opinion of a Majority of this Meeting is the List which the Town Clerk is to deliver to two or more Justices of the Peace for this County — *Quorum Unus* — agreeable to a late Act of the General Assembly — Viz^t.

Ebenezer Norwood
 Mather Byles D. D.
 Benjamin Phillips
 D^r. James Lloyd
 Daniel Hubbard
 D^r. Isaac Rand jun^r.
 John Tufts
 Edward Wentworth
 William Perry
 D^r. Samuel Danforth
 George Lush
 Edward Hutchinson
 Thomas Edwards
 Hopestill Capen
 Patrick Wall
 Benjamin Davis
 Benj^a. Davis jun^r.
 David Parker
 James Perkins

[122.]

Nathaniel Cary
 Richard Green
 William Jackson
 Samuel Broadstreet
 Thomas Amory
 Charles Whitworth
 D^r. Thomas Kast
 John Erving Esq.
 George Bethune
 D^r. Miles Whitworth

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider and determine what Number of Persons shall be chose (at a Meeting soon to be called) to represent the Town, in the next General Assembly, was read — and after some Debate, it was moved that the Number of Seven be chose — And the Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion, Voted, that what Matters remain unfinished be referred to the next Town Meeting —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to M^r. Jonathan Mason, for his Services, as Moderator of this Meeting. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, Thursday the 22^d. day of May Anno Domⁱ. 1777 —

Prayer was made by the Rev^d. D^r. Mather.

The Precept & Warrant for calling the Meeting read

Sundry Laws - - - - - read

The Town having at a former Meeting determined to make Choice of Seven Persons to represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly, to be held at the Town House in Boston [123.] Upon Wednesday the 28th. of May current — The Inhabitants were accordingly directed to withdraw, & bring in their Votes for Seven Representatives; & others it was declared by the Selectmen, that no Votes will be received, but such as are unfolded. & that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 12 O'Clock. —

The Votes being bro't in for Seven Representatives, the Number of the same were found to be five hundred twenty three, & upon sorting them, it appear'd that the Six following persons were chosen, Viz^t.

The Hon ^{ble} . John Hancock Esq. - - - - -	304
John Pitts Esq. - - - - -	520
David Jeffries Esq. - - - - -	307
Caleb Davis Esq - - - - -	
John Brown Esq - - - - -	301
M ^r . Ellis Gray - - - - -	518

Voted, the Choice of the other Person to represent the Town be referred to the Afternoon. —

Mr. Scollay, Chairman of the Selectmen informed that they propose the Poll shall be closed at 4 O'Clock. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to the Afternoon 3 'Clock. —

3 'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment

The Inhabitants were directed to withdraw & bring in their Votes for one Representative; & the Votes being brought in accordingly, the Number of the same were found to be two hundred & thirty, & upon sorting them, it appeared, that

Oliver Wendell Esq. - - - - - 132

was chosen. —

The Choice of Representatives being over & declared by the Selectmen, the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, & bring their Votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, in order that the Town may proceed in transacting the other Affairs mentioned in the Warrant; [124.] Accordingly the Inhabitants withdrew & brought in their Votes, & upon sorting them it appeared, that

Mr. Samuel Austin

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz'. "To consider whether they will, in Conformity to a Resolve of the late General Assembly, instruct their Representatives relative to forming a Constitution of Government; as also, what farther Instructions may be necessary for the Representatives that may be chosen," — was read, & after considerable Debate had thereon — It was moved & the Question accordingly put, viz'. "Whether the Town will give their Representatives Instructions to form a Plan for a new Government"? — Passed in the Negative. —

On a Motion, the Question was put, "Whether the Town will give their Representatives any Instructions whatsoever"? — Passed in the Affirmative —

Voted, that Thomas Crafts Esq.

John Winthrop Esq.

Mr. Joseph Barrel

Perez Morton Esq.

Benjamin Kent Esq.

be, & hereby are appointed a Committee to prepare a Draught of Instructions for our Representatives in General Assembly. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that our Representatives be instructed to move in the General Assembly, for a Repeal of the Act to prevent Monopoly & Oppression. —

Mr. Brimmer, lately chose one of the Committee of Correspondence, Inspection & Safety, having declined Serving, the Inhabitants were directed to withdraw, & bring in their Votes for another Person, & the Votes being accordingly bro't in & sorted, it appear'd, that

Capt. Isaac Phillips

was chosen one of the Committee of Correspondence &c. for the Year ensuing. —

[125.] Voted, that the Selectmen be, & they hereby are appointed to act upon the List of Jurors. —

Agreeable to a Writ from Ezekiel Price Esq. Clerk of the Sessions &c — the following Persons were drawn out of the Jury Box, as Jurors for a special Court, to be held for the Tryal of such Persons as the Town have represented to be Inimical to these States and dangerous to the public Safety — Viz'.

Mess^{rs}. Jeremiah Belknap
Edward Carnes
Samuel Dashwood
William Fallass
John Newell
John Bullard

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next, the 26th. Instant, 3 O'Clock Afternoon —

Monday 26th. of May, 3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment. —

The Comittee appointed to prepare Instructions for the Gentlemen chose to represent this Town in the next General Assembly, Reported the following Draught, Viz'.

To the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq, David Jeffries, Caleb Davis, Oliver Wendell, John Brown, John Pitts & Ellis Gray, Esq^{rs}.

Gentlemen,

You have been chosen by the Voice of the Town of Boston to represent them in the Great & General Court, & as it must be agreeable to you to know the Minds of your Constituents in all important Matters, we think fit to give you the following Instructions. —

With respect to the General Courts forming a new Constitution, you are directed by a unanimous Vote of a full Meeting, on no Terms to consent to it, but to use your Influence, & oppose it [126.] Heartily, if such an Attempt should be made, for we apprehend this Matter (*at a suitable time*) will properly come before the people at large, to delegate a *Select Number for that Purpose, & that alone*, when some things which we esteem *absolutely necessary* to a good Form, may be viewed by a General Court, in the Light of *self denying Ordinances*, which it is natural to consider, are always disagreeable to human Nature: Among other things we have *peculiarly in View making the Council intirely independent of the House, & to prevent the lately too prevalent Custom of accumulating Offices in One Person*: We could wish to establish it, as a certain Rule, that no One person whatever, be entrusted with more than *One Office* at a time (& for the Discharge of it, let there be honorable Allowance) & to keep the *Members of the General Court from accepting any*: This we apprehend will have a happy Effect at large, & is agreeable to the Custom of all States until Corruption & Bribery destroy the Principles of Vertue. —

You are also directed to move for, & exert yourselves to get an immediate & total Repeal of the *Acts*, commonly called the *Regulating Acts*. Our reasons for desiring this Request are: Because we have done our utmost to carry them into Execution, and find them so formed, that it is impossible to accomplish it;

they are (however well designed) a growing Source of Animosity & ill Will, tending to raise a Difference between Town & Country, at this — important Crisis, an Event ardently wished for by our Enemies, but ought to be guarded against with the utmost Caution by every Friend to this Country, for we are sure that our *Interest & Happiness* of our Brethren in the Country; & if ever the Trial is made, we shall assuredly find, that a Disunion & Separation of such Interest will be *the Ruin of both*.

Because, we apprehend, the said Acts have very greatly raised the Price of almost every Article of Life, & we have great [127.] Reason to fear the Evil will be growing, so long as they are in Being — though are firmly of the Opinion, if the Acts are repealed, & *our Trade freed from the cruel Shackles, with which it has lately been in judiciously bound, that a plentiful Import will, as assuredly lower the Prices, as a Scarcity has raised them*: For it has been a known & acknowledged Truth, by all Nations, which were *wise enough to encourage Commerce*, that Trade must regulate itself; can never be clogged but to its ruin; & always flourishes when left alone; it is justly compared to a Coy Mistress, she must be courted with Delicacy, & is ruined by force. —

Because it has had the greatest Tendency to destroy our Currency, & render Money of little Value; it has thrown many of *the honest & fair Traders*, (who wish to retain a good Commerce) out of Business, & set up in their Room *Mushroom Pedlars*, who adulterate their Commodities, & take every Advantage, thereby bringing a Disgrace upon Commerce — without which Town nor Country are worth defending. —

Because we are sure, that very large, & much wanted Supplies, the Property of this State & expected here, are now ordered into some of the Sister States, until these Acts are repealed — In short,

Because we have experienced every ill we could possibly fear from these Acts, & have felt the least Advantage from them: We cannot therefore but view them, replet with innumerable Evils, directly opposite to the Idea of Liberty, & without a Possibility of doing any Good; the *first Act*, in its Consequences introducing *all Kinds of Knavery*, & the *second* closes the *horrid Scene* with Perjury. — If these Acts should be repealed, we conclude the Land-Embargo will fall of course. —

If there should be an Attempt to have the pay of the Representatives taken out of the Public Chest, you are directed strenuously to oppose it, as, the only just Method we can conceive of, is, for *each Town to pay their own Members*. —

[128.] You are to move that immediate Application be made to Congress, that all the *States Money* might be redeemed with *Continental Currency*, & each State charged by the Continent for what they receive — If this could be accomplished, and the Money redeemed by *Loan-Certificates*, it would operate doubly in favor of the States, for us *they carry Interest they* would be speedily hoarded, & being taken out of Circulation, would give the remaining Currency a proportionably *greater Value*, and in that Case would be nearly equal to a Tax: Besides, the Currency

being all of the *same Species*, a Counterfeit would be more easily discovered, than when a great variety of Money is passing, & it would then be the joint Interest of *all the States* to keep the *Credit good*, & might be a farther Means of strengthening the Union. —

These Matters, with all others that may come before the General Court, we leave to your firmness & Prudence, and trust your Exertions in the common Cause will be such as shall recommend you to your Fellow Citizens, & what is more your Gain, *you* to the Approbation of God & your Conscience.

The foregoing Draught of Instructions to our Representatives having been read & considered Paragraph by Paragraph—the Question was put—“Whether the same shall be accepted, & given to our Representatives as their Instructions?”—Passed in the Affirmative. —

On a Motion, Voted, that the foregoing Instructions be printed in the News-Papers. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred & Twenty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt, for his Salary, as Master of the South Grammar School, for the year ensuing, the same to be paid quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence from the last Quarter. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Hunt, in Addition to his [129.] Salary of £120 - - in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in the Common, the year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence from the Expiration of the last Quarter. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. Samuel Holbrook, in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred Pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Tileston, in Consideration of his Salary, as Master of the North Writing School the year ensuing, the same to be paid him quarterly, as it shall become due, & to commence from the last Quarter. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Tileston, in Consideration of the present high price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Carter, for his Salary, as Master of the Writing School in Queen Street, for the Year ensuing, the same to be paid quarterly, as it shall become due & to commence from the Expiration of the last Quarter. —

Voted, that the farther Sum of Eighty pounds be allowed & paid unto M^r. James Carter, in Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

Voted, that the Sum of One hundred and thirty Pounds be allowed and paid out of the Town Treasury unto David Jeffries Esq. for his Services as Treasurer of the Town the Year past, & for all his Expences in that Office.

Voted, that the farther Sum of Seventy pounds be allowed & paid out of the Treasury unto David Jeffries Esq^r. [130.] In Consideration of the present high Price of the Necessaries of Life. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that it be left to the Gentlemen, the Selectmen, to make such an Addition to M^r. Cooper's Allowance as Town Clerk, in Consideration of the high Price of Provisions, as they shall judge to be a suitable Living. —

The Town having brought in their Votes for four Wardens, upon sorting them it appeared, that

Capt William Bell
M^r. William Crafts
M^r. Samuel Ruggles
M^r. Daniel Bell

were chosen Wardens for the Year ensuing. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified and legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Monday the 7th. day of July, Anno Domini 1777. —

Warrant for calling the Meeting - - - read.

Voted, to come to the Choice of a Moderator by a Hand Vote

M^r. Jonathan Mason

was accordingly chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider whether any Alteration shall be made with respect to the Collectors Premiums & Bonds" — was read — Whereupon the Question was put — "Whether any Alterations shall be made with respect to said Bonds and Premiums — Passed in the Negative. —

[131.] The Inhabitants were directed to withdraw and bring in their Votes for a Collector of Taxes in the Room of M^r. Oliver Greenleaf who has declined serving, & upon the Votes being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

Francis Shaw Esq.

was chosen a Collector of Taxes for the Year ensuing. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider of the Request of the Schoolmasters, that Ushers may be allowed them in Consideration of the great Encrease of Schollars — was read — whereupon — Voted,

That the Gentlemen the Selectmen be and hereby are directed to appoint Ushers for One, or all the Schools if they shall apprehend that Assistance is wanted. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz^t. "To consider what is proper to be done, relative to impounding Horses that may be found going at large on the Common Lands; — was read — whereupon, Voted, that the Hayward be directed to do his Duty with respect to the impounding Horses &c as the Law points out the same.

The Article in the Warrant Viz^t. "To consider what Measures shall be taken relative to weighing Hay — and the allowance to be made the Hay-Weigher — was read — whereupon

Voted, that this Matter be left to the Gentlemen the Selectmen, for them to act therein, as they shall judge proper. —

The Article in the warrant Viz. "To consider whether any farther Steps shall be taken for Collecting the Accounts from the Inhabitants of the Losses sustained by the ministerial Troops — was read — whereupon

Voted, that the Chairman of the Committee for the several Wards for collecting an Account of the Damages sustain'd by the British Troops &c. since the Boston Port Bill, be desired to call immediately upon the Inhabitants in their respective Ward. [132.] For an Account of said Damages, agreeable to the Hand Bills lately published & deliver'd them; & that said Committee report to the Gentlemen the Selectmen their doings therein as soon as may be that the same may be laid before the Town — also

Voted, that the Selectmen, agreeable to a former Vote, be desired to fill up said Committees in Case of the Absence or Sickness of any of them. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Wednesday next, being the 9th. of July 3 'Clock P. M.

And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.

Wednesday July 9th. 3'Clock P. M. —

Met according to adjournment. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that Joseph Greenleaff & Henry Jackson Esq^r. be excused from serving on Committee for Collecting Damages sustained in Ward, N^o. 6. —

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Daniel Bell & Isaac Peirce be added to the Committee of Ward N^o. 6, for collecting the Damages sustain'd from the Enemy by the Inhabitants of said Ward. —

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. John Rogers & Benjamin Richardson be added to the Committee of Ward N^o. 8 — for collecting the Damages sustained from the Enemy by the Inhabitants of said Ward; in the Room of Capt John Bradford & Capt Charles Williams, who have been excused from serving. —

Voted, that Newmen Greenough Esq be added to the Committee of Ward N^o. 1. for collecting Accounts of the Damages sustained from the Enemy by the Inhabitants of said Ward, in the room of Capt Fortesque Vernon, who declines serving. —

Voted that the thanks of the Town be given to M^r. Jonathan Mason for his Services, as Moderator of this Meeting. —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved. —

And the Meeting was accordingly dissolved

[133.] At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, on Wednesday the 23^d. Day of July Anno Domini 1777 —

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

On a Motion made, the Question was put—Whether a Moderator should be chosen by a Hand Vote—Passed in the Affirmative—

Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq^r. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting—

An Objection have been made to the proceeding on Business, on a Suggestion, that the Inhabitants had not been fully warned the Matter was taken up, & after some Debate the Question was put—“ Whether the Town will now proceed upon Business—Passed in the Affirmative—

The Clause in the Warrant Viz. “ To consider and determine, whether, agreeable to the Proposal & Desire of a number of the Inhabitants—a Committee shall be appointed, & supplied with such sums of Money, as shall be tho't sufficient to procure such of the Necessaries of Life, as may serve to alleviate the Distresses of the poor Inhabitants of this Town; or to agree & determine upon such other Measures, as may be judged necessary to answer the salutary Purpose aforesaid ”—was read—Whereupon

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Ellis Gray
Joseph Barrel
Thomas Walley
Ezekiel Price
Edward Payne
Nath^l. Appleton
Thomas Crafts

be a Committee, to consider this Article at large, & report at the Adjournment, what they think necessary to be done, to alleviate the present, and prevent the future Distresses of the poor Inhabitants of this Town.—

[134.] Mess^{rs}. Thomas Tileston
Sam^l. Dashwood
Joseph Loring

were chosen Jurors for a Maritime Court, to be held at Boston the 29th. of July next, 10 'Clock Forenoon.—

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Thursday next, 3 'Clock P. M.

Thursday 8 'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to consider the Article in the Warrant, relative to the Distress of the poor Inhabitants, — Report—

That a Committee be appointed to procure Subscriptions from such Persons as are willing to lend the Town, without Interest, a Sum not exceeding £8000 - - to be paid into the hands of the Town Treasurer, to be appropriated to the Purchase of such Articles as the Inhabitants stand in need of — The Treasurer to give Receipts for the Money so lent, to be paid on Demand.—

That a Committee of — Persons be appointed to purchase on the best Terms, such Quantities of the Necessary Articles, as they shall judge proper, not exceeding the Amount of Money so subscribed, & that the said Committee be impowered to draw upon, & shall be accountable to the Town Treasurer for the same; and that the said Committee be impower'd to deliver out the said Goods to such persons in each Ward, as they shall appoint, whose Busi-

ness it shall be to retail and the several Articles deliver'd him to the respective Inhabitants of his Ward only, at such Price, as the Committee for purchasing shall direct, & which shall not exceed the first Purchase, & the Necessary Charges — And the said Committee shall make such Allowance for Waste & Retail, as they shall think just — And the persons appointed to retail shall sell for ready Money only, & shall pay to the Committee the Money, so (& so fast as) received, after the abovesaid Allowance is deducted. —

[135.] And the said appointed Retailers shall set down the Names of the Persons they supply, recommending to them the utmost Frugality in the Use of the several Articles during Scarcity. — And no Person, or Family shall receive a second Supply, 'till all the Articles first received by him or them, is by them consumed. — The Committee are also allowed to supply such Coasters as bring Wood to Town from time to time, with as many of the necessary Articles they have on Hand, as they can conveniently spare — the Wharfinger engaging to dispose of the said Wood for Cash only in small Parcels & at the Rates purchased of the Coaster, with the customary Allowance for Carting & Wharfage.

The Money raised by the proposed Subscriptions, to be appropriated & improved for the purpose aforesaid only, & for so long a time as the Distresses of the people may make this Mode of Trade necessary, & the Lenders are willing to continue their Money in this public Service. —

And it is earnestly recommended to all persons in Trade (notwithstanding the Appointment of the aforesaid Committee) who are possess'd of the necessary Articles of Life, that they would immediately open their Stores, & sell indiscriminately to all that apply, & thereby convince their Fellow Citizens, that it is their Intention, so far as is in their power, to alleviate the Distresses of the present Day. — Which Report having been read & considered — the Question was put — “ Whether the same shall be accepted? — Passed in the Affirmative — Whereupon

Mess^r. Ellis Gray
Joseph Barrell
Thomas Walley
Ezekiel Price
Edward Payne
Nath^l. Appleton
Thomas Crafts

[136.] Be a Committee to procure Subscriptions agreeable to the aforesaid Report — And

Mess^r. Peter Boyer
Thomas Walley
Joseph Henderson
Joseph Callender
Ebenezer Sever
John Leverett
Habijah Savage

were appointed a Committee to purchase necessary Articles, and dispose of the same for the Relief of the poor Inhabitants, as pointed out in said Report. —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given to the hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq, for his good Services, as Moderator. — Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duely qualified & legally warned in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, Tuesday the 28th. day of October 10 O'Clock A. M. Anno Domini 1777. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read

Benjamin Kent Esq. was chosen Moderator of this Meeting. —

The Town Clerk having acquainted the Town, that being just recover'd from a Fever, the stormy Weather would not permit his attending the Meeting. —

M^r. Harbottle Dorr

was chosen Town Clerk Pro Tempore —

The Article in the Warrant relative to the providing [137.] For the Non-Commissioned Officers & Soldiers Families, as have engaged in the Continental Service for this Town — was read and considered — Whereupon

Voted, that a Com^{tee} be now chosen, pursuant to the Directions of a Resolve of the Great & General Court or Assembly of this State, relative to making Provision for the Families of such Non commissioned Officers & Soldiers, as have engaged in the Continental Service for this Town &c

Voted, that Capt John Ballard	- - - - -	Ward N ^o . 2
M ^r . Edward Green	- - - - -	9
M ^r . Joseph Callender	- - - - -	excused
M ^r . Joseph Hall	- - - - -	6
M ^r . Nicholas Bowes	- - - - -	excused

be a Committee for the Purpose aforesaid. —

Voted, that Application be made to the Several Churches & Congregations in this Town, that on next Lord's Day, a Contribution be made, in order to purchase the Necessaries of Life of the Families of such of the Inhabitants, as are Non-commissioned Officers & Privates, in the Army of the United States, & that the Monies so collected be paid into the Hands of the Committee appointed pursuant to the Resolve of the General Court, to be by them disposed of for the Use aforesaid. —

Voted, that Ellis Gray Esq.

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Oliver Wendell Esq.

be a Committee for the purpose aforesaid —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Tuesday next, being the 4th of November, 10 O'Clock Forenoon. —

Tuesday the 4th of November 1777 —

Met according to Adjournment, 10 O'Clock Forenoon —

[138.] Benjamin Kent Esq, the Moderator, being out of Town the Inhabitants assembled proceeded to the Choice of a Moderator Pro. Tem. by a Hand Vote, when

The Hon^{ble} James Pitts Esq.

was chosen Moderator of this Meeting Pro Temp —

The following Letters from the Hon^{ble}. Viscount Demauroy Brigadier General in the French Army, was, by M^r. Ezekiel Price, to whom it was directed, laid before the Town, Viz. —
Sir,

I beseech you to receive One Hundred Dollars for the Soldiers Wives & for their Children — permit me, that I may associate myself with your Fellow Citizens to help the poor Sufferers. —

With the Respect due to your worthy Characters,
I am

Gentlemen

Your Obedient Servant

Visc^t. Demauroy

Brigadier Gen^l. in the French Army

Boston Nov^r. 3^d. 1777 —

Upon the above Letter's being read —

Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of this Town be given to the Hon^{ble}. Viscount Demauroy, Brigadier General in the French Army, now in this Town, for his late generous Donation for the Benefit of the Families of such of the Inhabitants, as are Soldiers in the Army of the united States — and that

M^r. Ezekiel Price

Col: Nathaniel Barber

Thomas Daws Esq.

be a Committee to present the same —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Committee to receive Donations for the Families of those Men, who have enlisted into the Continental Army, be enlarged to Twelve, & that One be chosen for each Ward. —

[139.] M^r. Joseph Callender & M^r. Nicholas Bowes having desired to be excused, they were accordingly excused from serving on the Committee of Donations.

The following Persons were chose, as an Addition to the Committee of Donations, Viz.

Mess ^r . John R. Sigoney	- - - -	Ward N ^o . 1.
Nathaniel Hitchburne	- - - -	3.
Gibbins Sharp	- - - -	4.
Thomas Hitchburne	- - - -	5.
M ^r . Nathan Frazier	- - - -	7.
Benjamin Jepson	- - - -	8.
Adam Colson	- - - -	10.
Hermon Brimmer	- - - -	11.
Thomas Baley	- - - -	12.

Voted, that M^r. Ezekiel Price be desired to pay the two hundred Dollars, a Donation from the French General, unto the Committee to receive Donations &c. —

A Letter from the Gentlemen the Wardens, complaining of ill Treatment from Capt. M^oNeil & his Men when in Discharge of their Duty — was read — whereupon

Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen, be a Committee to wait upon the Hon^{ble}. the Council & make Representation of the Interruption the Wardens have received in the Execution of their

Duty, & to request, that those Officers may be Supported in the due Execution of their Office. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Committee to receive Donations be directed to make speedy Enquiry into the State of their several Wards, & report at the Adjournment, the Circumstances of those who have gone from this Town into the Continental Army. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Fryday next the 7th instant, 3 O'Clock P.M.

Fryday November the 7th 3 O'Clock P.M. met according to Adjournment —

[140.] The Committee appointed to make Enquiry into the State of the several Wards — Reported, that there was near five hundred Persons in this Town of the Families of such as are in the Continental Army, who are in suffering Circumstances — Whereupon, — Voted, that the Committee to receive Donations be directed to wait upon the persons, who have the Donation Money in their Hands, & receive & distribute the same agreeable to the Vote of the Town —

The Petition of M^r. Samuel Hunt, Master of the South Grammar School, “for an Addition to his present Grant on Account of the Rise of Provisions &c, & that the Town would determine on an Allowance to be made the Usher of said School, for his Services” — was read — whereupon

Voted, that M^r. Ezekiel Price

M^r. Nicholas Bowes

M^r. Daniel Parker

be a Committee to consider what farther Allowance it may be necessary to make M^r. Hunt, & the other Schoolmasters, in Consideration of the present high Prices of the Necessaries of Life — also

Voted, that the Salary of the Usher of the South Grammar School be left to the Determination of the Selectmen

A letter from the Viscount Demanroy expressing his Sense of the Honor done him by their Vote of Thanks, for the small Expression of his Regard to the American Soldiery, was laid before the Town. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall December the 8th 1777. —

[141.] Warrant for Calling the Meeting — Read —

The Inhabitants having brought in their Votes for a Moderator; upon sorting them it appeared, that the Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq was unanimously chosen Moderator of this Meeting —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz: “To consider whether Application shall be made to the General Court, to enable the Town to chuse an additional Number of Assessors for the more equitable Apportioning any future Tax” — was read & considered — Whereupon

Voted, that a Committee be appointed to prepare a Petition to the General Assembly, That Liberty may be granted the Town for the Choice of as many more Assessors with those already chosen, as shall make the Number of Assessors Twelve —

Voted, that the Hon^{ble} Sam^l. Adams Esq.

Benjamin Kent Esq.

Hon^{ble}. Thomas Cushing Esq.

M^r. Ezekiel Price

be a Committee for the purpose aforesaid, and to report at the Adjournment

The Clause in the Warrant, viz: "To consider of the Request of the Overseers of the poor, that some effectual Method may be speedily taken for providing for the poor of the Town, during the Winter, more especially for the aged & infirm persons in the Almshouse, who are improvident with Wood & Clothing & all Kinds of provisions & other Necessaries &c — was read & considered — Whereupon —

Voted, that a Committee be appointed to draw up a true representation of the distressed State of the poor in the Almshouse & to use their best Endeavors to procure a Subscription for the immediate Loan of Monies for the present Exigencies of said poor, not exceeding the Sum of five thousand Pounds; for which Monies the Town Treasurer is empowered to give his Notes on Interest to the respective Lenders. — also —

[142.] Voted, that the Gentlemen, the Overseers of the poor be a Committee for the purpose aforesaid, they taking with them Two person; for each Ward — & to report at the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

On a Motion made Voted, unanimously, that the Thanks of the Town be and hereby are given to the Hon^{ble} John Hancock Esq. for his generous Donation of One hundred & fifty Cord of Wood to the poor of the Town in this time of distress. —

On a Motion made, Voted, that the Gentlemen the Selectmen be directed to call a Meeting of the Town on Wednesday next 4 O'Clock P. M. in order that Application be made to General Court for an Easement of their Taxes —

Voted, that David Jeffries Esq. Town Treasurer be, & he hereby is directed & impowere'd, to borrow on Interest for the Use of the Almshouse, Eight hundred pounds in Addition to the Sum he has already been empowered to borrow for that purpose, & to give his Notes for the same. —

Adjourned to Monday next, being the 15th. day of December instant, 3 O'Clock Afternoon. —

Monday the 15th. day of December 1777 3 O'Clock P. M. met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee appointed to consider what farther Allowances may be necessary to be made the Schoolmasters, on Account of the present high Prices of the necessaries of Life — Report —

That they have attended that Service, & are of Opinion that the present Allowances to the several Schoolmasters are not sufficient to support them. & beg leave to propose a Grant to each of them as follows — Viz^t.

To Mr. Samuel Holbrook - - - - -	One hundred pounds
Mr. Samuel Hunt - - - - -	One hundred pounds
Mr. James Carter - - - - -	One hundred pounds
Mr. John Tileston - - - - -	One hundred pounds
Mr. William Bently - - - - -	Fifty pounds

[143.] And that the same be added to their next Draft, for their present Salaries, on the Town Treasurer. —

The foregoing Report having been read & Considered — the Question was put — “ Whether the same shall be accepted? — Passed in the Affirmative unanimously. —

The Committee appointed to prepare a Petition to the General Assembly, that Liberty may be granted the Town for as many more Assessors, as, with those already chosen, shall make the Number of Assessors to be Twelve reported the following Draught

To the Hon^{ble}. the Council & House of Representatives of the State of Massachusetts' Bay. —

The Petition of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston in Town Meeting legally assembled the 8th of December 1777 — Humbly sheweth. —

That your Petitioners, being by law impowered to make Choice of three, five, seven, or nine persons, to be Assessors of all such Rates & Taxes, as the Great & General Court or Assembly shall by Act, or Acts by them made, order & appoint the said Town to pay towards the public Charges of the State; Did, at a Town Meeting in the Month of March last, being the time by Law appointed, make Choice of seven persons only, for the purpose aforesaid; which Number has heretofore been judged most convenient. —

But at present, & under the particular Circumstances of this Town, your Petitioners conceive that the public Taxes would be more equally apportioned among the Inhabitants, if the Number of Assessors might be enlarged. —

Wherefore, they pray this hon^{ble}. Assembly, that an Act, or Order may pass, whereby the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston may be impowered to make a farther Choice of five meet Persons in Addition to those already chosen, to be Assessors for the present Year; & also to elect the Number of Twelve persons into the same Office for the future. —

[144.] And your Petitioners, as in Duty bound, shall ever pray. —

Samuel Adams p Order. —

The foregoing Report having been read & considered — the Question was put — “ Whether the same shall be accepted? — Passed in the Affirmative. —

Voted, that the foregoing Petition be signed by the Selectmen, & that the Representatives be instructed to present the same to the General Assembly. —

The Committee appointed to procure Subscriptions for the Loan of Monies for the poor of the Almshouse, not exceeding the Sum of Five thousand pounds — Reported that they should be able to procure said Sum for the Use aforesaid. —

Voted, that David Jeffries Esq. Treasurer of this Town, be

directed to receive the Subscription aforesaid, & appropriate the same for the Use of the poor of the Almshouse. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved. —

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duely qualified & legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled, at Faneuil Hall, Monday the 15th. day of December Anno Domini 1777 4 O'Clock P.M.

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read.

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. chosen Moderator unanimously The Article in the Warrant Viz. “Whether Application shall be made to the Great & General Court for an Abatement on their Province Tax, & that some Method may be taken for the more equal proportioning it for the future? — was read & considered — Whereupon

Voted, that the Representatives of the Town be, and hereby are instructed, to use their Influence in the General Assembly [145.] Of this State, that a new Valuation may be immediately agreed upon for apportioning the State Tax; & that a Resolve pass for the final Adjustment of the Town's Proportion of the late & future Taxes, by said Valuation. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz. “To consider the Request of a Number of the Inhabitants, That the Market may be shut, or put under such Regulations, as shall be for the Good of the Town” — was read & considered — Whereupon —

Voted, that the Selectmen be directed to see that the Contract made with the Butchers, that occupy the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market, be carried into Execution. —

Voted, that this Meeting be dissolved, & it was accordingly dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duely qualified and legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on Fryday the 26th. day of December, Anno Domini 1777 — 3 O'Clock P.M. —

Warrant for Calling the Meeting — read —

Jonathan Williams Esq. chosen Moderator by a Hand Vote.

The Town having been impowered by a late Resolve of the General Assembly, to choose an Additional Number of Assessors — The Inhabitants, agreable to an Article in the Warrant, were desired to bring in their Votes for five more Assessors, & upon their being brought in & sorted, it appeared, that

Mess^{rs}. William Frobisher

John R. Sigoney

Edward Green

Benjamin Edes

Joseph Henderson

[146.]

were chose Assessors for the remainder of the Year. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz: “To consider & determine

what is proper to be farther done with respect to Faneuil Hall Market" — was read & considered — whereupon

Voted, that it be left to the Selectmen to make such Agreement with the Butchers, who occupy the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market, respecting the Meat that is cut up, and may be left at the Market, as they may judge proper. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

At a Meeting of the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified and legally warned, in public Town Meeting assembled at Faneuil Hall, on the 20 Day of January Anno Domini 1778

Warrant for calling the Meeting — read —

The Inhabitants were directed to bring in their votes for a Moderator of this Meeting, & the same being brought in & Sorted, it appeared, that —

The Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq. was chosen

The Article in the Warrant relative to the Articles of Confederation was read —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz: "Whether any Steps shall be taken, for the farther Security of the Town, by enlarging the Town Watch, or otherwise" — was read, & considered —

Whereupon

[147.] Voted, that the Selectmen be directed to encrease the Number of the Town Watch to forty eight good & suitable Men, & that they be directed to patrole the Streets, from Sunsetting to 10 O'Clock at Night, at which time the Watch is to be set: — And the Watchmen of the respective Watches are to continue to patrole the Streets, from that Time, every Hour, giving the time of Night & Circumstances. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz: "To determine on the Request of the Fire Wards, That some effectual Measures may be taken to put the Enginemen upon such a Footing, as that the several Engines may be properly attended, & taken care of, as the preservation of the Town, in case of fire, greatly depends upon it" — was read, together with the Recommendation of the Fire Wards, relative to the Encouragement which it might be proper to afford the Engine-Men — and the same being considered —

Voted, that the Selectmen be a Committee to consider & report upon this Matter, & also what will be a sufficient Premium for such Companies, as bring their Engines to work *first* upon the Fire that may break out in any Building in this Town. —

The Article in the Warrant relative to Confederation, together with the Articles of Confederation, & perpetual Union between the *united States* of America, lately formed & proposed by the Hon^{ble}. Congress, to the Legislative Body of this State — were distinctly read — It was then moved that this Meeting be adjourned to To-morrow Morning, 10 O'Clock, for the farther Consideration of said Articles of Confederation; and that the Selectmen take Measures to notify the Inhabitants of the Adjournment & the

Business to be transacted — The Question being put — Passed in the Affirmative, & the Meeting was accordingly adjourned.

[148.] Town met, according to Adjournment, January 21^l. 10 O'Clock Ante Meridiem. —

The Report of the Committee appointed to consider the Article in the Warrant, relative to the Engine Companies — also the Recommendation of the Fire Wards, with respect to said Companies — was read — Whereupon

Voted, that the farther Consideration of this Report be referred over to the Adjournment of this Meeting. —

The Article in the Warrant, Viz. "To consider & determine, whether, agreeable to the Recommendation of the General Assembly of this State, the Town will intrust their Representatives, to act & do, as they shall judge most for the Advantage of this & the other united States, relative to the Articles of Confederation & perpetual Union between the United States of America, lately formed & proposed by the Hon^{ble}. Congress, to the Legislative Body of this State" — was read — as also the Articles of Confederation — Whereupon the following *Resolve* passed *unanimously*. —

The Articles of Confederation & perpetual Union, between the several States, now Represented in the Continental Congress, having been laid before this Town — were distinctly & repeatedly read, & maturely considered — Whereupon Resolved, as the Opinion of this Town, "That the said Articles appear to be well adapted to Cement the Union of the said States, to confirm their mutual Friendship, establish their Freedom & Independence & promote their General Welfare." — And the Representatives of the Town are hereby instructed to give their Votes in the General Assembly, that the Delegates of this State may be authorized to ratify the said Articles of Confederation, in order that the same may become Conclusive. —

Voted, that this Meeting be adjourned to Fryday next, the 23^d. day of January instant, 10 O'Clock, Forenoon

[149.] And the Meeting was accordingly adjourned. —

January the 23^d. 10 'Clock, met according to the Adjournment. —

The Report of the Committee chosen to consider the Article in the Warrant, relative to Engine Men, & also the Proposal of the Fire Wards, respecting the Engine Companies — was again read — and also the Amendment proposed — After considerable Debate thereon, it was moved, & the Question accordingly put, That this Meeting be adjourned to Monday next, being the 26th Instant, 10 O'Clock Before Noon, which passed in the Affirmative, and the Meeting was accordingly adjourned

Monday the 26th. Day of January, 10 'Clock A M. met according to Adjournment. —

The Committee appointed & report on the Article of the Warrant, relative to the Engine Companies, & the Recommendation of the Fire Wards, again Report with the Amendment Viz^l. — That they have conferred with the Captains of the several Engine Companies, & find, That nothing short of a total Exemption from all

Military Duty will be sufficient to satisfy & encourage the Men belonging to those Companies—They would therefore propose, that Application be made to the General Court; that, in Consideration of the great Quantity of Stores belonging to the State & Continent, stored in this Town, together with the valuable Buildings, the Property of the State, the Enginemen, necessary for the Town under these Circumstances, may be deducted from the Number of the Inhabitants, & not subject to raise their Proportion of any Draughts of Men, or do any Military Duty, excepting in Cases of Alarm, when they are ready to appear & do their Duty, as the Law directs. — And as a farther Encouragement, the Committee propose, that the Premium [150.] For the Engine Company, who first bring their Engine to work first upon any Fire which shall break out in any Building in this Town, shall be advanced to Three Pounds Lawful Money. —

JOHN SCOLLAY p Order —

The foregoing Report having been duely considered—the Question was put — Viz: “Whether the same shall be accepted? — Passed in the Affirmative — also

Voted, that a Copy of the foregoing Report & Vote thereon be taken & attested by the Town Clerk, & then delivered to each of the Gentlemen, who represent this Town in the General Assembly. —

Voted, that the Thanks of the Town be given hereby are given to the Hon^{ble}. John Hancock Esq^r. the Moderator, for his good Services. —

Then the Meeting was dissolved.

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

CITY TREASURER'S

MONTHLY STATEMENT

AND FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1887-88.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, June 1, 1887.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR AND THE HONORABLE CITY
COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and payments of the Treasury Department of the City of Boston for the month of May, 1887, and for the financial year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888, showing the balance of money remaining in the Treasury May 31, 1887, and where deposited.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

Monthly Statement of the Treasury Department.

Balance, May 1, 1887 \$4,080,681 09

RECEIPTS IN MAY, 1887.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$293,468 44	
From City Collector, on County Account	1,545 22	
		295,013 66
Cochituate Water Loans :—		
High Service, 4%		130,000 00
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds :—		
For payment of debt	\$23,000 00	
For betterments refunded,	3,040 04	
		26,040 04
Interest on Bank Deposits		9,010 98
Pay-roll Tailings, from Paymasters' settlements with Cashier, parties unpaid		1,941 36
		26,040 04
		\$4,542,687 13

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, May 1, 1887		\$4,080,681 09
Receipts during May, 1887		462,006 04
		\$4,542,687 13
Payments during May, 1887		1,652,361 78
		1,652,361 78
Balance, May 31, 1877		\$2,890,325 35

PAYMENTS IN MAY, 1887.

Cash drafts:—	
Cash drafts	*\$241,218 86
Cash drafts	639,117 27
Cash drafts	576,105 51
	†\$1,456,441 64

Suffolk:—	
by Auditor of County of Suffolk	†\$32,792 19
Special Drafts	34,815 88
Ins	13 35
	67,621 42

Licenses, proportion paid State of Massachusetts	92,513 50
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Commissioners of Sinking Fund:—	
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Cash, payable under authority of Finance on Finance	28,420 39
Cash refunded	3,040 04
Cash payments, payments by Cashier to not paid by Paymasters	2,146 10
Cash due prior to May 1, 1887	1,000 00
Cash assessments, refunded	891 57
Cash Sales	75 60

Cash refunded:—	
Water	\$51 92
Water	38 00
	89 92

Cash, interest, etc., refunded	20 32
Cash Mayor's drafts, City account	96 10
Cash assessments, refunded	5 18

\$1,652,361 78

General draft through City Auditor's office for May	\$243,356 45
	2,187 59

\$241,218 86

Debt paid	\$28,000 00
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\$1,323 80

Cash paid, as follows:—	
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Water Debt	4,675 00
Debt	56 00

\$6,053 80

County Requisitions through County Auditor's office for May	\$33,043 91
	251 72

\$32,792 19

Balance, May 30, 1887, as per preceding statements, as follows:—

Blackstone National Bank	\$61,362 89
Bunker Hill National Bank	61,336 80
Continental National Bank	61,336 75
First Ward National Bank	30,674 20
Fourth National Bank	61,329 43
Lincoln National Bank	41,016 61
Market National Bank	61,348 38
Massachusetts National Bank	60,729 69
Maverick National Bank	61,329 38
Merchandise National Bank	41,002 08
Metropolitan National Bank	41,014 07
Monument National Bank	30,617 11
Mount Vernon National Bank	30,675 98
North National Bank	61,336 61
People's National Bank	30,625 77
Shawmut National Bank	61,309 63
Third National Bank	61,329 92
Traders' National Bank	41,019 12
National Bank of the Commonwealth	61,308 42
National Bank of North America	61,336 80
National City Bank	61,347 77
National Exchange Bank	61,336 25
National Hide & Leather Bank	61,336 86
National Market Bank of Brighton	30,674 23
National Rockland Bank	41,016 61
National Security Bank	30,674 24
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	\$1,308,425 60
National Bank of Redemption	231,537 51
Howard National Bank	287,749 15
Globe National Bank	256,283 24
National Bank of the Republic	279,490 66
National Revere Bank	399,537 14
National Bank of Commerce, pay-roll tail- ings account	6,522 39
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	\$2,769,545 69
Cash and cash vouchers in office, including payments made on June Draft	120,779 66
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	<u>\$2,890,325 35</u>

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

FOR 1887-88.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, June 1, 1887.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned, in compliance with Chap. 14, Section 3, Revised Ordinances, herewith presents an exhibit of the General and Special Appropriations for the present financial year of 1887-88, as shown in the books in his office, June 1, 1887, including the June draft, — being two months' payments of the financial year, — exhibiting the original appropriations, the balances brought forward from the year 1886-87, the amount drawn June 1, 1887, the total expenditures, and the balance of each appropriation unexpended at that date.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

APPROPRIATIONS.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
Advertising			\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	\$206 35	\$287 10	\$1,252 90	
Architect's Department			23,500 00	23,500 00	2,290 39	4,244 92	19,255 08	
Armories			27,000 00	27,000 00	493 11	943 03	26,056 97	
Assessors' Department			114,000 00	114,000 00	8,757 61	11,197 95	102,802 05	
Auditor's Department			24,200 00	24,200 00	2,009 57	3,921 04	20,278 96	
Board of Health, etc., viz.:—								
Evergreen Cemetery	\$12 00	\$212 00	70,000 00	70,000 00	6,424 06	10,802 09	59,197 91	
Public Baths			1,500 00	1,724 00	185 85	490 84	1,233 16	
Quarantine Department			16,000 00	16,000 00	1,308 53	1,440 64	14,559 36	
Boston Harbor			16,000 00	16,000 00	1,456 43	3,966 18	12,003 82	
Bridges:—			6,000 00	6,000 00	208 42	402 92	4,597 08	
Albany-st. Bridge			92,000 00	92,000 00	7,747 73	9,150 44	82,849 56	
Cambridge-st. Bridge, Allston	14,939 81			14,939 81	267 50	420 68	14,519 15	\$7,100 80
Congress-st. Bridge	45,000 00			45,000 00			45,000 00	
Mt. Washington-ave. Bridge			13,200 00	13,200 00			13,200 00	
New Bridge to Cambridge			9,680 00	9,680 00			9,680 00	
Warren Bridge	308 06			308 06			308 06	
Cedar Grove Cemetery	15,718 42			15,718 42			15,718 42	
City Clerk's Department	952 28	1,000 00	21,000 00	1,952 28	1,382 80	1,897 00	85 28	
City Debt			21,000 00	21,000 00	1,507 72	3,086 55	17,913 45	
City Loans, Redemption of			749,107 00	749,107 00			749,107 00	
Received from Commissioners		23,000 00		23,000 00				
Revenue								
Sinking-Funds								
Redemption of City Debt								
Redemption of Cochituate Water Debt								
Redemption of Mystic Water Debt								
Cost of Redemption of matured bonds								
Property								
Total		23,000 00			23,000 00			

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expended on unimproved public buildings, works, &c., 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$76,930 57	\$24,212 00	\$1,183,687 00	\$1,284,229 57	\$57,225 47	\$75,231 36	\$1,209,998 21	\$375,882 38
City Hospital			180,000 00	180,000 00	18,787 67	27,878 56	162,121 44	
Building for Contagious Cases	27,182 85		5,000 00	82,132 85	3,148 50	3,148 50	28,984 35	31,015 65
Building for Out-Patients	19,000 00		7,375 00	1,375 00			7,375 00	
City Messenger's Department			19,852 00	19,852 00	1,318 08	1,447 12	19,204 88	
City Registrar's Department			13,400 00	13,400 00	704 19	776 32	12,623 68	
Collector's Department			52,500 00	52,500 00	3,967 10	8,076 00	44,423 90	
Common and Public Grounds : —								
Common, etc.	450 00		60,000 00	60,450 00	11,308 02	17,150 39	49,299 61	
Commonwealth Avenue, Loan for Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00	444 71	444 71	2,555 29	
Improvement of Independence Square	285 12			285 12	185 12	185 12	100 00	
Play-Grounds			500 00	500 00			500 00	
Public Garden Bridge	884 45			884 45			884 45	
Street Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Tudor Bequest	500 00			500 00	153 16	153 16	346 84	
Contingent Funds, viz. : —								
Joint Committees			6,000 00	6,000 00	589 50	900 75	5,099 25	
Mayor			1,500 00	1,500 00	75 00	77 50	1,422 50	
Board of Aldermen			9,000 00	9,000 00	883 65	1,273 15	7,726 85	
Common Council			10,000 00	10,000 00	663 05	1,174 80	8,825 20	
County of Suffolk : —								
County of Suffolk			450,000 00	430,000 00	42,529 13	74,947 42	355,152 58	
County Debt			17,000 00	17,000 00			17,000 00	
County Interest			69,735 00	59,735 00			69,735 00	
Suffolk County Court-House					35,354 39	36,080 01	(\$36,080 01 vide for.)	963,071 28
Damages by dogs								
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$125,182 90	\$24,212 00	\$2,061,549 00	\$2,210,945 90	\$171,986 60	\$249,044 92	\$1,967,979 08	\$1,402,909 29

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
Deeds, Real Estate Advertising, etc.	\$125,182 99	\$24,212 00	\$2,061,649 00	\$2,210,943 99	\$171,988 89	\$249,044 92	\$1,997,970 08	\$1,402,989 29
East Boston Ferries	3,713 60	441 15	.....	4,154 75	376 03	2,024 43	2,130 27	
New Ferry-Boat	36,507 50	.....	298,000 00	298,000 00	13,688 61	19,847 39	188,152 61	
Engineer's Department . . . . .	.....	.....	33,000 00	33,000 00	5,000 00	6,034 00	31,473 50	16,526 50
Executive Department . . . . .	.....	.....	21,500 00	21,500 00	2,502 66	4,889 77	28,110 23	
Fire Department . . . . .	.....	.....	740,955 00	740,955 00	45,003 39	3,269 70	16,240 30	
Fire Alarm Telegraph . . . . .	.....	.....	31,005 00	31,005 00	2,068 31	57,208 46	683,748 55	
Health Department . . . . .	.....	.....	625,000 00	625,000 00	2,534 02	53,097 53	25,470 98	
Improved Sewerage:—								
Construction	35,275 91	.....	.....	35,275 91	42,337 04	3,403 43	471,802 47	5,379,740 45
Maintenance . . . . .	.....	.....	70,820 00	70,820 00	2,657 88	3,403 43	31,872 48	
Incidental Expenses . . . . .	.....	.....	30,000 00	30,000 00	4,387 65	6,781 50	66,093 50	
Inspection of Buildings . . . . .	.....	.....	50,000 00	50,000 00	20,438 46	21,652 18	8,441 82	
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar . . . . .	.....	.....	9,000 00	9,000 00	4,007 01	4,190 37	45,809 63	
Inspection of Provisions . . . . .	.....	.....	2,300 00	2,300 00	801 68	1,453 32	7,646 68	
Interest . . . . .	.....	.....	1,599,623 00	1,599,623 00	186 07	361 17	1,893 83	
Lamp Department . . . . .	.....	.....	575,000 00	575,000 00	1,828 80	1,828 80	1,688,390 20	
Law Department . . . . .	.....	.....	23,500 00	23,500 00	40,673 28	74,263 09	500,739 91	
Liquor License Expenses . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	648,170 00	1,895 16	3,843 41	19,656 69	
Board of Police	371,678 00	176,492 00	.....	.....	.....	95,637 34	452,882 66	
City Clerk's Department . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,281 46	.....	.....
Collector's Department . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	.....	.....
Treasurer's Department . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Paint State proportion of receipts, 92,513 80	.....	.....	.....	.....	92,513 60	.....	.....
Refund . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	95 03	.....	.....
Long Island	4,515 17	14 85	.....	4,530 02	.....	.....	4,530 02	164,600 00
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$576,873 17	\$201,160 00	\$6,981,252 00	\$6,759,285 17	\$456,218 88	\$608,749 81	\$6,186,615 31	\$6,943,836 24

1. Total appropriations for construction, \$5,479,112.93; transferred August, 1876, by authority of an order of July 17, from Reserved Fund, \$40,000; loans authorized \$6,483,000; loans negotiated, \$3,483,000, and revenue, \$6,112.93; transferred to Sewer between Crescent avenue and Greenwich street, \$66,000; transferred from Construction to Maintenance, \$2,000.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
Markets	\$570,879 17	\$201,100 00	\$5,081,232 00	\$5,750,255 17	\$445,218 88	\$608,740 87	\$6,186,615 31	\$6,063,836 24
Mount Hope Cemetery	5,397 15	1,053 08	10,000 00	9,000 00	759 46	1,601 43	8,298 57	
Overseers of the Poor			19,000 00	15,532 83	5,049 89	6,543 46	9,189 37	
Park Department:—			115,000 00	115,000 00	4,357 58	6,558 65	109,441 37	
Park Department			6,500 00	6,500 00	457 65	916 70	5,883 30	
Covered Channel, Muddy River	253 42			253 42			253 42	148,446 98
Franklin Park	80,344 84			80,344 84	79,373 14	79,373 14	6,971 70	1,063,028 30
Muddy River Improvement	104,148 88			104,148 88			104,148 88	99,881 12
Parks, Maintenance	1,371 09		15,000 00	16,371 09	696 46	815 44	15,556 25	
Park Nursery			5,000 00	5,000 00	413 52	413 52	4,586 48	
Public Park, Back Bay	6,689 57			6,689 57			6,689 57	459,360 43
Public Park, Construction	483,714 37			483,714 37	18,821 06	23,299 89	469,414 48	
Paving Department:—			750,000 00	750,000 00	60,177 99	73,291 56	676,738 45	
Boyiston-st. Bridge, Construction of			35,000 00	35,000 00			35,000 00	
Humboldt Avenue	1,479 97			1,479 97		27 12	1,452 85	34,647 15
Linden Park	9,467 18			9,467 18	4,410 79	4,410 79	5,056 39	
Ninth-Street Grading	292 25			292 25	292 25	292 25		
Q Street	10,056 04			10,056 04	1,147 75	2,146 75	8,809 29	11,190 71
Removal and care of snow			50,000 00	50,000 00			50,000 00	
Stable, Brighton			5,000 00	5,000 00	307 10	307 10	4,692 90	
Street Improvements, East Boston	20,060 54			20,060 54	2,040 57	2,528 87	24,467 97	19,632 03
Washington Street, between Forest Hills Station and Ashland Street	37,007 68			37,007 68	3,801 36	4,163 33	32,844 35	9,155 65
Police Department Fund, Income	5,108 16			5,108 16	85,061 31	96,477 52	5,108 16	
Police Department			1,060,000 00	1,060,000 00	3,501 48	5,003 78	993,522 48	
Printing and Stationery (general)	4,727 61	661 21	47,000 00	52,388 82			46,785 04	
Public Buildings:—			115,000 00	115,000 00	13,886 29	23,000 48	91,090 52	
Public Buildings			115,000 00	115,000 00	13,886 29	23,000 48	91,090 52	
City Building, Beacon Street	3,388 79			3,388 79	200 00	2,074 93	1,313 86	2,320 07
Engine-House, Brighton	22,840 80			22,840 80	1,114 07	1,170 47	21,670 33	24,039 86
Engine-House, Charlestown	237 90		3,000 00	3,237 90	225 85	268 76	2,969 14	
Engine-House, No. 6	8,250 00		25,000 00	33,250 00			33,250 00	27,750 00
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,303,606 01	\$203,756 89	\$8,262,632 00	\$9,869,914 90	\$742,174 45	\$943,024 45	\$8,952,470 43	\$8,879,658 74

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	\$1,368,606 01	\$208,756 89	\$6,282,652 00	\$9,860,014 00	\$742,174 45	\$843,624 48	\$8,952,470 43	\$8,879,058 74
Ladder House and Site, Roslindale	5,334 52			5,334 52	2,384 00	2,157 39	2,577 13	43,028 13
Public Buildings, Dismouth Street	22,000 00			22,000 00	1,097 00	1,363 11	20,644 89	81,145 11
Police Station-house, Boylston Street	368,854 89			368,854 89			368,854 89	42,263 21
Public Celebrations	19,947 92	368 64	20,000 00	19,941 82	2,087 45	2,211 13	17,730 79	
Public Institutions, viz. :—				29,368 64	5,000 00	5,000 00	15,368 64	
House of Industry			185,000 00	185,000 00	10,683 62	25,476 79	189,523 71	
House of Correction			90,000 00	90,000 00	14,683 73	22,339 25	66,663 73	
Lunatic Hospital			60,000 00	60,000 00	4,708 08	10,344 38	49,653 62	
Marcella-street Home			42,625 00	42,625 00	3,662 66	9,517 43	33,107 57	
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm			30,000 00	30,000 00			30,000 00	
Alms-house, Charlestown			17,368 00	17,368 00	2,517 11	3,900 82	13,462 18	
Home for Paupers, Long Island :—			45,000 00	45,000 00	3,073 31	5,549 47	39,450 53	
Maintenance			143,000 00	143,000 00	5,662 89	5,940 89	11,766 34	
Construction	17,736 23		18,125 00	18,125 00	3,944 14	32,387 92	110,112 08	72,210 66
Pauper Expenses			8,905 00	8,905 00	3,917 84	3,917 84	14,207 66	
Steamer "J. Putnam Bradlee"			3,000 00	3,000 00	677 03	1,363 58	7,841 42	
Office Expenses			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Alms-house, Charlestown, Repairs			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm, Repairs			6,000 00	6,000 00			6,000 00	
Fences, Lunatic Hospital Grounds			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Marcella-street Home, Improvements			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Wharves, Long Island	12,089 90		6,000 00	12,089 90	60 68	60 68	12,029 22	
Public Lands			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Public Library			115,000 00	115,552 80	7,414 31	17,166 01	2,988 78	12,470 78
Record Commissioners		552 80	6,000 00	5,000 00	286 00	303 60	4,696 40	
Record of Street Names								
Registration of Voters and Election Expenses:			30,000 00	30,000 00	1,572 08	2,972 08	27,027 92	
Registration of Voters			13,000 00	13,000 00	2 50	38 59	12,961 41	
Election Expenses			66,000 00	66,000 00			66,000 00	
Reserved Fund			11,000 00	11,000 00			9,177 56	
Salaries					897 40	1,822 44		
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,840,069 47	\$204,575 83	\$9,180,610 00	\$11,225,354 80	\$816,870 65	\$1,099,533 12	\$10,161,901 69	\$9,180,673 63

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APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,840,069 47	\$204,675 33	\$9,150,610 00	\$11,225,354 80	\$815,870 65	\$1,099,533 12	\$10,161,901 69	\$9,130,673 63
Schools and School-houses, viz.:—								
School Instructors			1,242,088 00	1,242,088 00	99,675 30	194,262 49	1,042,825 51	
Salaries Officers, School Committee			57,760 00	57,760 00	4,748 33	9,466 66	48,293 34	
School Expenses, School Committee			240,000 00	240,000 00	19,829 76	32,949 32	207,050 68	
Gibson School Fund, Income	1,503 87		1,503 87	1,503 87	174 49	317 08	1,186 79	
School-houses, Public Buildings			175,000 00	1,503 87	7,539 87	13,445 67	161,564 33	
Andrew School-house Yard	1,800 00		1,800 00	1,800 00			1,800 00	
Cushman School-house, Heating, etc.			5,000 00	5,000 00			5,000 00	
Everett School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00			8,000 00	
Franklin School-house, Water-Closets			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Grammar School-house, Bennett District, Furnishing	1,296 67			1,296 67			1,296 67	
Grammar School-house, Comins District	552 73		6,000 00	6,552 73	3,438 71	3,438 71	3,114 02	121,885 96
Grammar School-house, Dudley street, furnishing	27,699 14			27,699 14	1,450 68	1,867 51	26,781 63	99,218 37
Grammar School-house, South Boston	90,000 00		7,000 00	7,000 00			7,000 00	
High School-house, Roxbury	90,000 00			90,000 00	30,000 00	30,000 00	60,000 00	
Horace Mann School-house	55,000 00			90,000 00			90,000 00	
Primary School-house, Ahmont	5,000 00			55,000 00	41 08	41 08	54,958 92	
Primary School-house, Blossom street.—Site	10,051 12			5,000 00			5,000 00	
Building				10,051 12			10,051 12	107,948 88
Primary School-house, Harrison avenue	426 49			426 49			426 49	47,729 26
Primary School-house, Prescott District	2,822 15			2,822 15	300 00	300 00	2,522 15	13,477 85
Rice School-house, Water-Closets			4,000 00	4,000 00			4,000 00	
Sewer Department.—Sewer Department.—Sewers, Ahmont District			10,938 00	10,938 00	781 04	867 54	10,068 46	
	45,268 60		150,000 00	150,000 00	16,332 97	24,550 44	126,449 56	61,518 44
				45,268 60	6,230 04	6,787 04	38,481 56	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,171,460 24	\$204,675 33	\$11,089,394 00	\$13,465,529 57	\$1,005,416 92	\$1,422,846 66	\$12,078,762 92	\$9,582,452 41

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and June Draft, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,171,460 24	\$204,675 33	\$11,089,594 00	\$13,465,529 57	\$1,005,416 92	\$1,422,846 66	\$12,078,762 92	\$9,582,452 41
Sewers, Beacon street, etc.	4,365 10		4,365 10	4,365 10	4,428 08	4,623 63	4,365 10	20,634 90
Sewers, Brighton	25,440 48		25,440 48	25,440 48	5,077 05	778 94	20,816 85	79,183 15
Sewers, Charlestown	5,077 05		5,077 05	5,077 05	203 86	237 13	4,298 11	6,701 89
Sewers, City Proper	27,862 45		27,862 45	27,862 45	1,055 76	1,055 76	27,025 32	32,374 68
Sewer bet. Crescent Ave. and Greenwich st.	7,904 92		7,904 92	7,904 92			6,349 16	124,650 84
Sewers, Dorchester	378 03		378 03	378 03			378 03	164,621 97
Sewers, East Boston	36,002 44		36,002 44	36,002 44	5,215 48	3,256 48	32,765 96	17,254 04
Sewers, Roxbury	3,518 61		3,518 61	3,518 61	1,040 56	1,517 42	2,001 19	4,998 81
Sewers, South Boston	5,343 13		5,343 13	5,343 13	1,332 90	1,863 56	3,479 57	46,520 43
Sewers, West Roxbury	27,358 25		27,358 25	27,358 25	4,750 47	5,459 11	21,919 14	51,083 87
Sinking Fund Commissioners			2,500 00	2,500 00	187 50	361 50	2,138 50	
Soldiers' Relief	75,662 72			75,662 72	8,050 00	16,462 00	69,200 72	
Stony Brook Improvement 1	687 75		9,000 00	9,687 75	276 00	286 00	9,401 10	
Surveyor's Department			32,000 00	32,000 00	2,488 93	4,831 30	27,168 70	
Treasurer's Department			38,000 00	38,000 00	2,958 07	5,856 49	32,143 51	
Water-Works:—								
Cochituate Water-Works	221,620 11	19,552 37		241,172 48		263,092 27	(\$27,919.79 provided for.)	
Running expenses					24,462 80			
Interest					4,675 00			
Refunded					51 92			
Sinking Fund					221,620 11			
Additional Supply of Water ²	22,926 56			22,926 56	349 33	526 02	23,400 54	6,485,486 26
Extension of Malpas, etc. ³	173,622 25			173,622 25	28,463 63	32,814 71	140,807 54	
High Service ⁴	258,353 84	130,000 00		388,353 84	6,407 51	7,463 92	380,899 32	
Introduction of Meters and Inspection:—								
Cochituate Water-Works	65,385 56			65,385 56	2,221 17	3,057 36	62,328 20	
Mystic Water-Works	993 44			993 44		2 63	990 91	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,133,962 93	\$354,227 70	\$11,170,994 00	\$14,659,084 63	\$1,324,315 99	\$1,776,343 44	\$12,940,740 99	\$17,348,770 63

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$9,000.
 2 Total appropriations, \$6,542,986.90; loans negotiated, premiums on said loans, and transfer from Reserved Fund, \$6,507,486.90; loans not negotiated, \$35,000.
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AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	June Draft, including Treasurer's payments in May.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including June Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,183,922 93	\$354,227 70	\$11,170,884 00	\$14,659,084 63	\$1,324,315 90	\$1,776,343 44	\$12,940,740 99	\$17,948,770 63
Myrtle Water-Works	38,418 84	4,890 48		43,309 32		53,015 39	(Excess provided for.)	
Running expenses					10,852 65			
Interest					55 00			
Proportions paid under contracts					38 00			
Refunded					38,418 84		6,760 11	
Staking Fund					755 08	1,459 89		
West Boston and other Bridges			8,200 00	8,200 00				
Widening and Extending Streets:—								
Avon Place Extension	2,000 00		50,000 00	50,000 00	2,408 68	3,482 72	46,567 28	
Beacon Street and Brookline Avenue, Rail- ing Grade	85,821 62			85,821 62			2,000 00	
Epsilston Street Extension	140,474 24			140,474 24	74,057 50	74,057 50	11,764 12	477,028 70
Hanover Street Widening	19,788 00			19,788 00	5,322 88	5,322 88	135,151 36	14,848 64
Harrison Avenue Widening	10,500 00			10,500 00			19,788 00	19,212 00
Humboldt Avenue Extension	12,735 00			12,735 00			10,500 00	
Kneeland Place Extension	10,149 08			10,149 08			12,735 00	22,265 00
Massachusetts Avenue:—							10,149 08	2,850 92
Land	15,738 00			15,738 00			16,738 00	39,262 00
Building Roadway							140,000 00	140,000 00
Stanford Street Extension	69,804 45			69,804 45			69,804 45	95,195 55
Talbot Avenue	25,000 00			25,000 00			25,000 00	
Ward Street	1,075 00			1,075 00			1,075 00	6,925 00
Webster Street	33,840 00			33,840 00	8,400 00	8,400 00	24,440 00	34,560 00
Widening Commercial Street	1,796 83			1,796 83			1,796 83	487,703 17
	\$3,601,103 99	\$359,118 18	\$11,229,094 00	\$15,189,316 17	\$1,464,124 22	\$1,922,011 82	\$13,333,010 22	\$18,687,619 61
						Less prov. for	67,705 87	
							\$13,267,304 35	

CITY OF  BOSTON.

BOSTON CONSOLIDATED STREET
RAILWAY.

SECOND LOCATION.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 31, 1887.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was recommitted the petition of the Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company, for leave to construct an additional track on Cambridge street, Charlestown, between Perkins street and Clinton place, having considered the subject, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

For the Committee,

W. P. CARROLL,

Chairman, pro tem.

Ordered, That, in addition to the rights heretofore granted the Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the city of Boston, said company shall have the right to lay down an additional track in Cambridge street, Charlestown, between Perkins street and Clinton place; said tracks and turnouts being shown by red lines on a plan made by Arthur Hodges, dated May 6, 1887, and deposited in the office of the Superintendent of Streets.

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order is upon condition that the whole work of laying the same, the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material

used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also upon condition that said Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company shall accept this order of location, and shall agree, in writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained, and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this order; otherwise it shall be null and void.

Passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 2, 1887.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

[DOCUMENT 95 — 1887.]

OF BOSTON.



OPINION

OF THE

CORPORATION COUNSEL,

IN THE

OPINION
OF THE POWERS OF THE MAYOR
AND THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN IN
RELATION TO THE PAVEMENT OF STREETS.

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE, 14 BEACON STREET,
BOSTON, May 31, 1887.

able the Board of Aldermen: —

to your order of the 23d inst., inquiring "What
the Board of Aldermen have in directing the
of Streets to pave, or determine the charac-
ter, of any street, and whether the power is
in the Mayor, or in the Board of Alder-
men, to say that the Board of Aldermen have the
power to determine the character of the surface and pavement
of a street, and, when they have so determined, it becomes
the duty of the Superintendent of Streets, under the general
control of the Mayor, to do the work.

It is, however, not inconsistent with, and, until
the Mayor has not limited the legal rights and duties of the
Surveyor of Highways, to order such
pavement as may be deemed that the safety and convenience of
the public require.

It is, therefore, recommended that an order determining the character of
the pavement for a given street, that order will control.

But the Mayor cannot suffer a public way to remain impassable or unsafe for travellers. Charged as he is, under the Statutes of 1885, chapter 266, commonly called the New Charter, with the executive powers formerly vested in the Board as surveyors of highways, it is his duty, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Statutes, to see that the money appropriated for repairing ways is carefully and judiciously expended for that purpose; and he has full power, through the appropriate officer under him, to make those repairs in such manner as the safety and convenience of the public may, in his judgment, require.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. NETTLETON,

Corporation Counsel.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 31, 1887.

Laid on the table, and ordered to be printed.

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

[DOCUMENT 96 — 1887.]



OF BOSTON.

RITY AND MINORITY REPORTS

OF

SPECIAL COMMITTEE

ON

THE RESERVOIR LOT.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Sept. 29, 1887.
to the next meeting at 8 P.M., and ordered to

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, January 6, 1887.

That a Joint Special Committee, consisting of
members of the Common Council, with such as the
Aldermen may join, be appointed to ascertain and
arrangements can be made with the State for the
the "Reservoir Lot," so called, and for grading
that vicinity, and what legislation is necessary

and Messrs. Whitmore, Fottler, and Short were
said committee.

for concurrence.

, and Aldermen McLaughlin and C. W. Smith
to the committee.

by the Mayor, Jan. 12, 1887.

Committee appointed under the above order beg leave
submit the following report: —

THE RESERVOIR LOT.

This large lot of land contains 37,488 sq. ft., and is bounded 192.91 ft. on Hancock street; 190.29 ft. on Derne street; 183.31 ft. on Temple street; and 188.09 ft. on an east and west line in the rear of estates on Mt. Vernon street.

In 1847 the land was taken by the Water Commissioners of the City of Boston for the purpose of placing thereon the reservoir. The cost was as follows (History of the Water Works, I., 106) : —

Estate of John Hancock, in the rear of other estates	\$35,876 62
Estate of Benj. Adams, on Hancock and Derne streets	25,725 00
Estate of Commonwealth of Mass. on Hancock street	13,000 00
Estate of H. W. Kinsman on Temple street,	8,615 00
“ B. R. Curtis “ “ “	15,000 00
“ C. P. Curtis “ “ “	10,350 00
“ C. T. Russell “ “ “	8,647 33
“ City, school-house, etc., corner Temple and Derne streets	30,000 00
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	\$147,213 95
Received for old materials	2,106 85
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Net cost	\$145,107 10

The Assessors' books do not give any more details as to the estimated value of the land or buildings at that time.

Our older citizens will remember the appearance of the land then, — a row of good brick houses on Temple street, the city school-house on the corner of Derne street, a row of old wooden buildings on Derne street, with Dr. A. Boyden's apothecary store on the corner of Hancock street.

The State owned a wooden house on Hancock street, at the upper end of the lot, placed on or about the level of Mt. Vernon street, and this level land extended to Temple street, with a width of some fifty feet. The centre portion, belonging to the Hancock family, was open and unoccupied, and the hill had been dug down on a steep slope towards Derne street.

On the 20th of November, 1847, the corner-stone of the reservoir was laid with proper ceremonies, and a picture of the occasion, painted by Wight, is now owned by the city,

and is deposited in the Old State-House in charge of the Bostonian Society.

The stone reservoir was a shallow stone basin, 16 ft. in depth, placed on the top of a series of arches of varying heights, those on Derne street being 38 ft. high. The extreme height to the top of the coping was 58 ft. 9 in.; the least, 40 ft. 9 in. The cost of the superstructure (Hist., I., 267) was \$368,426.11; making the whole cost, with land, \$513,533.21.

The reservoir continued in use for many years, until the growth of the city and the improved methods of furnishing the supply rendered it no longer essential to the system. In fact, after 1875 it often happened that the reservoir was left empty for considerable periods. Accordingly, notwithstanding the impossibility of using the building for any other purpose, the City Council was impressed with the necessity of using the land in some way. As soon as there was a strong agitation in aid of the erection of a new court-house, this site was warmly favored by many persons as the cheapest and most available one. The Proceedings of the City Council from 1878 onward will show how persistently, and with what solid arguments, the project of thus using this lot was urged. In spite of the opposition of an active section of the Suffolk bar the measure grew in favor with the Board of Aldermen, and on the ground of economy especially it finally secured the support of a majority of that body.

On November 27, 1880, the Board of Aldermen voted to take the reservoir lot as the site for a new court-house for Suffolk County. In 1881 the water was drawn from the reservoir, and the building was put in charge of the Committee on Public Buildings, with authority to take down the stone and sell it. About three years were needed for the removal of the stone, as it was deemed best to use it in the various public works of the city, and deliveries were made only in accordance with such demands.

The City Auditor's accounts show that the expense of taking down the reservoir was . . . \$79,756.14
 Receipts from sales of stone 76,311.71

But this does not show the true results, because much of the stone was used by the city in its building, and was credited at less than it would have brought if sold to other parties.

At the beginning of 1885 an earnest effort was made to utilize the land by the erection of the much-needed court-house. The Mayor gave prominence to the subject in his inaugural address, recommending that the row of houses on Mt. Vernon street, adjoining the reservoir lot, be taken as a part of the location. He also suggested that the State might

wish to join in the scheme and possibly use part of the land. An order to petition the Legislature was passed February 2, 1885. (Proceedings, pp. 64, 68.) An order to appoint commissioners was also introduced into the Common Council, referred to the Committee on Finance, passed by the Aldermen February 24 (Proc., p. 147), and by the Council, February 26 (Proc., p. 150). It was printed as Doc. 23 of 1885. It provided for three commissioners to make all preliminary arrangements for the erection of a court-house, including the preparation of plans and estimates; to obtain the coöperation of the State; to obtain legislation for acquiring more land if needed; and to report back to the City Council. The commissioners could not incur any liability in behalf of the city unless specially authorized.

The Mayor appointed, March 4, 1885, Messrs. Solomon B. Stebbins, Thomas J. Whidden, and Godfrey Morse as such commissioners.

The Suffolk Bar Association immediately renewed its opposition to the plan of building the new court-house on the reservoir lot. Into the merits of the controversy we shall not go, and shall only refer to such action as directly affected the use of that lot of land. A hearing on the Mayor's petition was given by a committee of the Legislature, March 6, 1885; and, contrary to the evident intent of the petition, a bill was presented by the Corporation Counsel giving power to the Board of Aldermen to take land anywhere for a court-house site, instead of additional to the reservoir lot. The committee of the Suffolk bar favored the bill; asking, however, to substitute the three gentlemen already appointed by the Mayor as the persons to select and take the land, in place of the Aldermen.

The result of the hearings was the passage of Chapter 377 of Acts of 1885, whereby "the Board of Commissioners appointed by the Mayor of said city, by virtue of an order of the City Council of said city, with reference to a court-house, approved March 4, 1885, is hereby authorized to select and take, in the name and behalf of said city, by purchase or otherwise, such land as may, in the judgment of said commissioners, subject to the approval of the Mayor of the city of Boston, be requisite for the erection of a court-house, . . . and for a court-house yard for the same."

It will be seen that this act of the Legislature was not based on any request of the City Council, and that the commissioners were designated in the act, and were not appointed for this purpose by the Mayor.

On August 3, 1885, the commissioners' report was sent to the Board of Aldermen, notifying the City Council that they

and their powers under the act, by selecting a site for a State-house in Pemberton square. (Proc., p. 479.) A resolution in regard to the reservoir lot was taken in the City Council, on March 21 (Proc., p. 217), the Water Board claiming a claim for compensation if the land were used for a public purpose.

A resolution was promptly taken by the City Council in regard to the reservoir lot. On January 21 an order passed the City Council, asking the State to buy the houses on Mt. Vernon street, asking the State to lay out the same as a public park, if the city should wish to use the reservoir land for the same purpose. The City Council substituted an order to sell the land, which was the original purpose. An order to build an armory thereon was considered, but on July 1, the whole subject was referred to a special committee.

In the year 1886, the Mayor sent a message to the Aldermen, asking that a letter annexed from Gov. Robinson, suggesting that the land should be offered to the State, for the purpose of building department offices thereon.

As a result of a discussion of the matter by a committee of the City Council, before whom a committee of the City Council appeared, was the passage of a resolve, Chap. 87, of the Acts of 1887, that the Governor and Council should report to the next session of the Legislature a plan for the enlargement of the State-House, and the erection of additional buildings. Accordingly a message was sent on January 5, 1887, by the Governor to the Legislature, in which it will be found in the "Blue Book," pp. 1198-

and the following is a summary of the details of the various plans considered during the session of 1887. It is sufficient to say that the plan recommended by the Governor was, in part, to buy the houses on Mt. Vernon street, from Hancock to Temple street, and the three houses next east of Temple street, and the evident idea of closing Mt. Vernon street, between Park street, easterly, and of opening a new street through the vacant land or over the reservoir lot.

The first scheme was to build only on the land east of Temple street, on the square bounded by Bowdoin and Temple streets and Beacon Hill place. The third plan, proposed by Representative Sillars, was to take the land between Temple and Hancock streets, bounded by Mt. Vernon, Hancock, Temple streets, and including the reservoir lot, and to erect buildings thereon with the State-House on the corner across Mt. Vernon street.

A committee, appointed January, 1887, to attend to the details of the project, and interested in this matter, were of the opinion that the plan was most likely to be beneficial to the city,

especially if, in connection therewith, a change could be secured in the grade of Temple street. They therefore attended the public meetings of the committee of the Legislature and presented plans and estimates whenever desired.

As this matter of a change of grade was and still is one of great importance it will be explained somewhat in detail.

It is well-known that Beacon Hill presents a great obstacle to the passage of traffic from the northern to the southern part of the city; an impediment greatly increased by the Common on its southerly slope. It is necessary to go around the hill, since the few streets crossing it are of so steep grade as to be very difficult for heavy teams to use. The only direct communication from Tremont street to Cambridge street, over the hill, is by Park, Mt. Vernon, and Temple streets; and the plans annexed to this report will show how difficult the grade is. The City Council last year laid out Staniford-street extension, from Green street to Causeway street, at an estimated expense of \$161,000, in order to give a direct passage for vehicles from the northern depots to the southern depots. The grade at that part of the line is as good as could be desired. In Temple street, from Cambridge street to Derne street, the grade is only four feet in one hundred, and that grade is not burdensome. But from Derne street to Mt. Vernon street there is a steep rise of $10\frac{2}{10}$ feet in one hundred, and then a decline of $6\frac{2}{10}$ feet in a hundred to Beacon street; while Park street is on a farther slope of $9\frac{1}{2}$ feet in a hundred for some two hundred feet from Beacon street, and $4\frac{1}{2}$ feet for the rest of the way to Tremont street.

Your committee found that if Mt. Vernon street were lowered from the corner of Beacon street to Temple street, and Temple street were farther lowered on the same grade to Derne street, a grade of only $2\frac{7}{10}$ feet in a hundred would be established. At the same time it was thought desirable to remove the unnecessary bend in Temple street by relocating it on a line with that part of Mt. Vernon which runs north and south. An examination of the plan annexed shows that Mt. Vernon street turns at a right angle, and that Temple street enters it at some distance to the west. But if a fifty-foot street be laid out from the north-westerly corner of Derne street, where the reservoir lot begins, to the point where Mt. Vernon street bends, the deflection from a straight line is but trifling.

The city would have to buy all the houses on the east side of Temple street, south of Derne street, with two houses on Mt. Vernon street, and the corner house on Derne street; but the discontinuance of the present street would give an equal amount of land for sale, less the amount required for widening the present street from forty feet to fifty feet.

The land to be taken measures 13,856 feet; assessed in 1887, with buildings, at \$141,700. (See Appendix B.) But there will be some strips of land left after locating the lines, and at least 4,500 feet of land in the part of the street discontinued, which will be worth more than now, as it becomes front land on a wide street.

The change in the lines, however, would have been a great gain to the State if it had decided to build a department building according to the Sillars plan. It will be seen that the two portions of Mt. Vernon street are not parallel with the front and sides of the State-House.

The Sillars plan, with an amendment offered by your committee, is printed in the Appendix A to this report.

Your committee are obliged to report that there is no immediate prospect of any action by the State in regard to building a new State-House or department buildings near the present site. The plans proposed are so various, and have each so many supporters, that it seems useless to expect any speedy agreement on any one.

The interests of the city, therefore, demand your consideration; and as the land has been kept out of the market for the past two years, avowedly to enable the State to buy it, any action now by the city cannot be considered discourteous.

Your committee, therefore, recommend that such disposal be made of the land as will be for the best interests of the city; and in their opinion such disposal means the sale of the lot at public auction. They further recommend that the proceeds of the sale be devoted to some method of making an easy passage across the hill, which may be attained in one of two methods:—

FIRST, it has been proposed to leave Temple and Mt. Vernon streets as they are, and to construct a tunnel, beginning on the reservoir land at the corner of Derne and Temple streets, and coming out on the same level on Park street. The details of this plan, as furnished by the City Engineer, will be found in Appendix C.

The advantages of this plan are, first, a very easy grade for heavy teams; secondly, the utilization of all the reservoir land except the portion of one house-lot required for the Derne-street entrance; third, the avoidance of all grade damages or disputes. The cost would not be excessive, but it would require a new statute to enable the city to build, especially under the land owned by the State.

The disadvantages are, first, the inferiority of a tunnel to an open street in many respects; second, the cost of lighting, policing, and watching; third, the damage to an entire row of trees on Park street. Except this special damage, it may be fairly said that the Park-street alteration could be so planned as to beautify rather than injure the Common. The trees, with one exception, are not large nor specially beautiful, and ample compensation can be made by replanting.

SECONDLY, your committee suggests that Temple street be relocated according to the dotted line on the annexed plan, making a continuation of the part of Mt. Vernon street which runs north and south. This new street should be laid out of the width of fifty feet, and the State be urged to contribute that strip of its open land included within the dotted lines. But, even if the State refused, it would be well to make our street the full width of fifty feet. As the city has made Staniford-street extension fifty feet wide, this end should be of equal width, it being certain that hereafter the lower half of Temple street and Staniford street itself will have to be widened to the same lines. With this relocation of Temple street your committee recommend a new grade on a uniform slope from the corner of Derne street to the crossing of Beacon street, viz., about $2\frac{7}{10}$ feet in a hundred, a very easy grade, less than that of School street.

The matter of grade damages is not very formidable, as the city would take all the easterly side of Temple street from Derne street south, and owns more than half of the west side. So, again, on Mt. Vernon street, there are only six houses affected, exclusive of the State-House lot and the Way estate, now owned by the State. On the westerly side, in fact, the State-House lot is open ground, and damages could be only trifling. Your committee are informed that the right of the city to alter the grade of its streets is not affected by the fact that the State owns land abutting thereon. No betterments can be collected of the State, but if it were shown to be benefited by the change the Legislature would doubtless contribute.

The only other claim for grade damages would be for the estates lying on Mt. Vernon street westerly from Temple street, say as far as Hancock street. Here, again, the State owns nearly half of the land; and the buildings next to the reservoir lot are about ready for a change into business purposes. By carrying the new grade to Joy street a very good slope could be obtained.

Beacon Hill place is not open to teams, and access to the new street could be provided, if necessary, by steps.

It is to be noted that the proposed point is the only one at which a through carriage-way of easy grade can be made. No other street is open from Tremont street to Cambridge street east of Charles street, and none can be constructed without cutting the Common or the Granary burying-ground, to say nothing of valuable estates in private hands. The relocation of Temple street not only takes property of comparatively small value, but it restores almost an equivalent portion to building uses, in direct contiguity to existing houses.

The time to make this great public improvement is evidently now, before business encroaches farther on the hill with the inevitable result of increasing the value of land. Now is the proper time, before the State enters upon any large enterprise for rebuilding or increasing the State-House, especially as this plan gives more building-ground directly in the rear of the present edifice. Now is especially a good time, when nearly the whole cost of the enterprise can be defrayed by the sale of city property not needed for city purposes.

In Appendix B will be found the estimates by the City Surveyor of the cost of grading and building the new Temple street, amounting to \$15,000. His plan shows two grades. Grade B is a steady slope from Beacon street to Derne street of $2\frac{7}{10}$ feet in 100. Grade A shows Mt. Vernon street levelled, and a new slope from Derne street to Mt. Vernon street of $5\frac{4}{10}$ feet. As grade damages would be due in either case, it seems best to take grade B, as by far the most useful, especially as the saving in damages would be small, and the extra cost of building only \$1,000.

LASTLY, your committee would urge the great benefit which will be conferred on the estates on the northerly slope of Beacon Hill by this improvement. Temple street will become the westerly boundary of business, giving a large and definite territory east of it, bounded by Beacon, Tremont, Court, and Cambridge streets, wherein provision can be made for the changes incident to the completion of the new court-house.

A new street of the character proposed will do much to prevent the steady depreciation of property in the locality named; and, being a great thoroughfare, it will bring life and enterprise into a portion of the city which has received but

little encouragement thus far in comparison with other localities. The greatest drawback to the profitable use of this territory on the north slope of Beacon Hill has always been the grade of the streets. When one wide street of easy grade is opened over the crest of the hill the lateral streets will become at once available.

Your committee, therefore, respectfully submit the draft of the orders necessary to carry out either of the projects named in the foregoing report.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN,
WILLIAM H. WHITMORE,
JOHN C. SHORT,

*A Majority of the Joint Special Committee
on Sale of the Reservoir Lot.*

IN COMMON COUNCIL.

1. *Ordered*, That the Board of Street Commissioners be and they hereby are directed to sell at public auction, on or before November 15, 1887, the lot of land owned by the city situated on Hancock, Derne, and Temple streets, commonly called the Reservoir lot.

The land shall be divided into such lots as the said Board may deem advisable, subject, however, to any further instructions from the City Council, and provided that the purchaser of the first lot sold may have the option of taking the entire lot at the same rate per foot, if he so elect at the time of sale. The said Board may, if they deem it advisable, reserve from such sale of any of said land a strip not exceeding forty feet in width on the easterly side of said land, and extending from Hancock street to Temple street, and lay out the same as a public street.

The said Board may fix a minimum price for said land at or before said sale, and refuse all bids for a less sum.

The proceeds of such sale shall constitute a fund for the payment of the expenses of widening and grading Temple and Mt. Vernon streets.

2. *Ordered*, That the Board of Street Commissioners be and they hereby are requested to widen Temple street on the easterly side, from the southerly line of Derne street to the northerly line of Mount Vernon street at the corner of Beacon Hill place, as shown on a plan of the said widening made by Thomas W. Davis, City Surveyor, dated January 7, 1887, and deposited in his office; the expense of such widening to be charged to the proceeds of the sale of the old Reservoir lot on said Temple and Derne and Hancock streets.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

3. *Ordered*, That the Board establish the grade of Temple street, between Derne street and Mount Vernon street, as shown by grade B on a plan and profile made by Thomas W. Davis, City Surveyor, dated January 12th, 1887, and deposited in the office of the said City Surveyor.

4. *Ordered*, That the Board establish the grade of Mount Vernon street, between Beacon Hill place and Beacon street, as shown by grade B on a plan and profile made by Thomas W. Davis, City Surveyor, dated January 12, 1887, and deposited in the office of the said City Surveyor.

IN COMMON COUNCIL.

5. *Ordered*, That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is requested to petition the Legislature at its next session for the passage of an act releasing to the City of Boston, for the purpose of widening Mt. Vernon street to a width of fifty feet, on the portion of said street running northerly from Beacon street, so much of the land appurtenant to the State-House as may be needed; and also to release the City of Boston from all grade damages which might be due to the Commonwealth in respect to any of its lands or buildings on Mt. Vernon street, in consideration of the fact that no betterments for such street widening or grading can be assessed upon the Commonwealth, although its property will be benefited thereby.

The alternate order, in case the City Council should prefer the plan for a tunnel, would be as follows:—

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is requested to petition the Legislature at its next session for an act enabling the City Council of Boston to lay out, construct, and maintain a tunnel from Derne street to Park street or Tremont street, according to a plan prepared by the City Engineer and approved by said Council. Such tunnel is to be used only as a public street, but shall not be included under the provisions of law relating to the construction of railways or horse-railways, or the laying of wires or pipes, unless the consent of the Legislature be obtained thereto.

MINORITY REPORT.

signed, members of the Special Committee on Reservoir Lot, respectfully dissent from the majority report, and beg leave to submit the following

REPORT:

They believe that some disposition of the same should be made toward its improvement, they still are of the opinion that it should be acquired by the State for State purposes, and that at the next session of the Legislature will take the necessary steps in that direction. They believe that such a use of the Reservoir Lot would be of more benefit to the city in the way of valuable property on Beacon Hill, than could be obtained by any other means. Its occupation by the State for State purposes would have a wholesome effect on the surrounding property, and would also be the best preserving for the State-House its present position and beautiful style of architecture, so highly prized by the people of Boston. The minority are of the opinion that the Government should take no action calculated to increase the expense to the State, should the latter desire to purchase the Reservoir Lot, because, after all, a large part of the expense would have to be borne by the city, as the latter pays at 40 per cent. of the State tax; this would follow if the lot be sold to private parties now, and afterwards purchased by the State. The undersigned also call attention to the meaning of the order as passed by both the City Council, and approved by His Honor the Mayor on January 12, 1887, by which a special committee was appointed, whose duty it should be to ascertain what could be made with the State for the sale to it of the Reservoir Lot, so called, and for grading the streets in the vicinity, and what legislation is necessary therefor. Under the order we cannot see our way clear to coincide with the report of the majority of said committee, as action in the direction would be contrary to its purport. The members of the committee on Sale of the Reservoir Lot have had several meetings, it is true, and have appeared before the Legislature in the State-House several times with plans fully considered by them that they believed to be for the interest of both

the State and the city. We now fully believe that the State cannot afford to let the opportunity pass to secure the Reservoir Lot, and that citizens generally are becoming more and more convinced that it should be so utilized; and the fact that the city has patiently waited for two years should make no difference at this time, when it appears so certain that the State-House must be enlarged very soon. The minority also, while they are in sympathy with the majority regarding certain improvements necessary to be made on streets in that vicinity, cannot accept that portion of their report requesting His Honor the Mayor to petition the Legislature at its next session for an act to lay out, construct, and maintain a tunnel, as proposed by said majority, believing the same to be unnecessary and impracticable.

The minority of your committee, therefore, are of the opinion that it would be for the interest of the city to pass the following order, — a draft of which is herewith submitted, — and that the further consideration of the subject referred to in the order under which this committee was appointed be referred to the next city government.

CHARLES W. SMITH,
JACOB FOTTLER.

IN COMMON COUNCIL.

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor be and he hereby is requested to petition the Legislature at its next session for the passage of an act releasing to the City of Boston, for the purpose of widening Mt. Vernon street to a width of fifty feet, on the portion of said street running northerly from Beacon street, so much of the land appurtenant to the State-House as may be needed; and also to release the City of Boston from all grade damages which might be due to the Commonwealth in respect to any of its lands or buildings on Mt. Vernon street, in consideration of the fact that no betterments for such street widening or grading can be assessed upon the Commonwealth, although its property will be benefited thereby.

APPENDIX A.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, June 1, 1887.

The Committee on State-House, to whom was referred the Order relative to occupying land adjoining the State-House for State purposes, and providing better accommodations for State departments; also the Order relative to any proposals from the city of Boston respecting the reservoir lot of land; also the message of the Governor transmitting a copy of the Order adopted by the Executive Council with regard to the proposed enlargement of the State-House, report the accompanying Bill.

For the Committee,

MALCOLM SILLARS.

Mr. SAYLES, of the Senate, and Messrs. PERRY and ATWOOD, of the House, dissent.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ACT TO PROVIDE FOR THE BETTER ACCOMMODATION OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT IN THE CITY OF BOSTON.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

SECTION 1. For the purpose of providing suitable and adequate accommodations for the legislative and executive departments of the state government, and for the several bureaus, boards and officers of the Commonwealth whose offices are or may be located in the city of Boston, and for any other necessary and convenient uses of the Commonwealth in the transaction of its business in said city, the governor and council are hereby authorized, in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth, to acquire by gift or pur-

chase, or to take, the whole or any part of the following described tracts or parcels of land, with the buildings and improvements thereon, and with the rights and privileges thereto appertaining, the same being situate in said city of Boston, and lying adjacent or near to the state house, namely: the square or parcel of land lying next north of the state house, and bounded north by Derne street, east by Temple street, south by Mount Vernon street, and west by Hancock street; and the parcel of land comprising the estates on the easterly side of Temple street, between Mount Vernon and Derne streets, and now known as numbers thirteen and fifteen in Mount Vernon street, and eighty-two, eighty, seventy-eight, seventy-six, seventy-four, seventy-two, seventy, and sixty-eight in Temple street, and eleven and nine in Derne street.

SECT. 2. The governor and council may discontinue the whole of Temple street between Mount Vernon street and Derne street, or any portion thereof, and any avenue or way which is upon or across any land acquired or taken as aforesaid, and may acquire or take, as aforesaid, all rights and interests in and to the land under the same; and they may appropriate any portions of the lands acquired or taken under this act for the laying out, widening, or relocation of any new or existing street, avenue, or way which they may deem to be necessary or convenient for access to the present state house grounds, or to the lands so acquired or taken, or for public use. They shall cause notice of such discontinuance, laying out, widening or relocation, with a description by metes and bounds sufficiently accurate for identification, to be published in the newspaper in which the general laws are published by the secretary of the Commonwealth; and such publication shall be deemed to be sufficient notice to all persons of such discontinuance, laying out, widening or relocation.

SECT. 3. The governor and council shall file in the registry of deeds for the county of Suffolk, and cause to be recorded therein, a description of any lands taken as aforesaid, as certain as is required in an ordinary deed of land, with a statement, signed by the governor, that the same are taken in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth under the provisions of this act; and the act and time of the filing thereof shall be deemed to be the act and time of the taking of such lands, and to be sufficient notice to all persons that the same have been so taken. The title to all lands so taken shall vest absolutely in the Commonwealth and its assigns forever.

SECT. 4. The governor and council shall have full power to settle by agreement or arbitration the amount of damages sustained by any person in his property by reason of the taking of any lands, or by reason of the discontinuance, laying out, widening or relocation of any street, avenue or way, as aforesaid; and, if damages are not so settled, the same may be assessed by a jury at the bar of the supreme judicial court for said county of Suffolk, upon petition to be filed by such person at any time within one year after such taking, or after the publication of the notice provided in section two, respectively, and not afterwards. The provisions of sections sixty-five, sixty-six and seventy-six

of chapter one hundred and sixty-seven of the Public Statutes shall apply to any such proceeding.

SECT. 5. There shall be erected on the northerly side of Mount Vernon street, on land acquired by the Commonwealth as aforesaid, a fire-proof building which shall be connected with the present state house by a passage or bridge over the said street; and for the better connection with said new building and the improvement of the present state house a suitable staircase shall be built leading from the northerly side of Doric Hall to the level of the floor of the senate and representatives chambers. Provision shall be made in the new building for a library and for a depository of the battle-flags and other memorial relics belonging to the Commonwealth. Such further improvements may be made in the present state house as may be by the commission hereinafter named be deemed necessary or desirable by reason of the said changes and for the purpose of furnishing needed accommodations for the legislative departments. The expense of said new building and of the alterations in the present state house shall not exceed the sum of six hundred thousand dollars.

SECT. 6. The governor, with the advice and consent of the council, shall appoint two commissioners, who shall, together with the commissioners on the state house, constitute a commission whose duty it shall be, with reasonable expedition, to cause said new building to be erected and said alterations to be made, and who shall superintend the same; and their accounts shall be rendered to the auditor of accounts and paid out of the treasury of the Commonwealth. The two commissioners so to be appointed shall receive such compensation for their services as the governor and council shall determine just and reasonable.

SECT. 7. In order to defray the expenses which may be incurred in pursuance of this act, the treasurer and receiver general is hereby authorized, under the direction of the governor and council, to issue scrip or certificates of debt, in the name and behalf of the Commonwealth, to an amount not exceeding two millions of dollars, redeemable at the rate of four hundred thousand dollars a year, the first payment to be made on the first day of July in the year nineteen hundred and one, said scrip to bear interest at the rate of three and one-half per cent. per annum, payable semi-annually at the office of the treasurer and receiver general in Boston. Said scrip shall be issued from time to time as the progress of the work may demand, and no portion of said scrip shall be disposed of at any price less than the original par value.

SECT. 8. This act shall take effect upon its passage.

[SUBSTITUTE PROPOSED BY THE CITY COMMITTEE.]

SECT. 2. The city of Boston, by vote of its City Council, approved by the Mayor, may, at the request of the Governor and Council, discontinue the whole or any portion of Temple street between Derne street and Mt. Vernon street, or of Mt.

Vernon street between Temple street and Beacon street. The said city may relocate Temple street from Derne street, in a straight line from the south-easterly corner of the said streets to the south-easterly corner of Mount Vernon and Beacon streets, at its westerly side, and extending in width easterly fifty feet, and shall establish the grade of said new street at one foot in a hundred, from the westerly line of Mount Vernon street, where such new street crosses it, to the westerly line of Beacon street, and in a uniform grade from said westerly line of Mt. Vernon street to the present grade of Derne street, being an estimated grade of four and one-half feet in a hundred.

The city of Boston may take for this purpose the whole of any lands a portion of which are required for such new street, provided they be not owned by the Commonwealth, and after the locating of such new street and grade shall resell, at public auction, within one year from the time when such street is opened to public travel, the portions of land not required for street purposes, in such lots as may be deemed proper by said City Council, and may place such restrictions upon the buildings hereafter to be put on such land as shall be assented to by the Governor and Council.

The expense of such locating and building the new fifty-foot street, and of any grade damages caused thereby, shall be paid by drafts of the Mayor of Boston upon the Treasurer of the Commonwealth, after the bills and vouchers have been approved by the Governor and Council. The city of Boston shall, in consideration of the payment by the State of the cost of such locating and building the said new street, transfer to the Commonwealth, free of charge, all its right and interest to its reservoir lot, so called, on Temple street, and also to any portion of Temple street or Mount Vernon street which may be discontinued under this act; and also pay over to the Commonwealth all sums received from the resale of any land taken for the purpose of locating said new street in excess of what is required for the actual street.

All land taken by the city of Boston under this act shall be taken in the manner now provided by law for taking land for streets in said city of Boston.

Provided, however, that the Governor and Council may direct said city of Boston, if they deem necessary, to deflect the line of said new street so as to protect the present State-House buildings and grounds, maintaining, however, the full width of fifty feet for such new street.]

APPENDIX B.

Valuation of the Estates on Temple and Mt. Vernon Streets in 1887.

OWNERS.	Number.	STREET.	Valuation. Dollars.	ESTIMATED.		
				Feet of Land.	Value of Land.	Value of Buildings.
Andrew C. Wheelwright . . .	13	Mt. Vernon . . .	\$25,000	2,500	\$15,000	\$10,000
Andrew C. Wheelwright . . .	15	“ N. E. cor. Temple	32,000	3,000	21,000	11,000
Thomas Snow heirs	82	“	8,300	900	5,000	3,300
Samuel G. Davis	80	“	8,000	888	4,600	3,400
Ellen C. Johnson	78	“	10,000	891	4,900	5,100
Martha A. Crooker	76	“	9,500	787	4,300	5,200
Thomas Chamberlain heirs,	74	“	10,500	940	5,200	5,300
Joseph C. Tyler	72	“	10,000	900	5,000	5,000
Mary Bates	70	“	8,400	800	4,400	4,000
Levi Whitney heirs	68	“ S. E. cor. Derne	20,000	2,300	12,200	7,800
			\$141,700	13,856	\$81,600	\$60,100

Valuation for 1887,

BENJ. CUSHING,

Sec'y Boston Assessors.

STREET DEPARTMENT, CITY HALL,

BOSTON, Sept. 9th, 1887.

THOMAS W. DAVIS, Esq., *City Surveyor* : —

DEAR SIR, — The approximate cost of grading Mount Vernon and Temple streets, as shown by Mr. Whitmore's plan, is as follows : —

Low Grade B.

Mount Vernon and Temple streets.

Excavation, removal of old gutters, and edgestone, and sidewalk, and replacing same, including macadamizing,	\$10,000
Mount Vernon street, west of Temple,	5,000

\$15,000

(Same work as above.)

High Grade A.

Mount Vernon and Temple streets.

Excavation, removal of old gutters, edgestone, and sidewalk, and			
replacing same, including macadamizing,	.	.	\$9,000
Mount Vernon street, west of Temple street,	.	.	5,000
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			\$14,000

No allowance is made for moving buildings nor for grade damages.

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APPENDIX C.

OFFICE OF CITY ENGINEER, CITY HALL,
BOSTON, Sept. 23, 1887.

ALD. JOHN A. McLAUGHLIN, *Chairman Joint Special Committee
on sale of Reservoir lot:—*

DEAR SIR,— In accordance with your request, an examination has been made to determine the practicability of a tunnel connecting the corner of Park and Tremont streets with Derne street, near Temple street. The accompanying plans show two schemes, which, for convenience, will be designated Plan A and Plan B.

Plan A, starting from the corner of Park and Tremont streets, includes a strip of the Common and the sidewalk on Park street which adjoins it; the roadway being open to a point about 150 feet from Beacon street, at the beginning of the tunnel; thence crossing Beacon street on a curve and running through Park street and under a corner of the State-House grounds to Mt. Vernon street, and by a curve under the estate at the corner of Temple street and Mt. Vernon street, and through Temple street and the back part of the estate on the opposite corner of Temple street and Mt. Vernon street by a curve to the Reservoir lot; and thence, partly in tunnel, and partly in open cut, to Derne street.

Plan B, starting from Park street, about 200 feet distant from Tremont street, including a strip of the Common and the sidewalk of Park street adjoining it, the roadway being open to a point about 100 feet from Beacon street, at the beginning of the tunnel; thence crossing Beacon street, and running under a considerable portion of the State-House grounds to the corner of Temple and Mt. Vernon street; thence by the route of Plan A to Derne street.

Plan A is the better as regards lines and grades; while Plan B has the advantage of saving the Common, in part, and of being somewhat the cheaper.

I have made a rough estimate of the cost of the two plans, and should say that the expense of Plan A would be about \$250,000, and of Plan B about \$225,000.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM JACKSON,

City Engineer.

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CITY OF



BOSTON.

TWENTY-THIRD REPORT

OF THE

TRUSTEES OF THE CITY HOSPITAL,

WITH

REPORTS OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND PROFESSIONAL
STAFF, RULES FOR ADMISSIONS AND
DISCHARGES, ETC.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR 1886.

Timothy J. Dacey, *President*, for two years.
Henry H. Sprague, *Secretary*, for three years.
Joseph A. Tucker, for one year.
A. Shuman, for four years.
John F. Young, M.D., for five years.

MEDICAL AND SURGICAL STAFF.

Consulting Physicians and Surgeons.

Benj. E. Cotting, M.D.	Benj. Cushing, M.D.
A. D. Sinclair, M.D.	Wm. Ingalls, M.D.
Fitch Edw. Oliver, M.D.	W. C. B. Fifield, M.D.

Superintendent and Resident Physician.

GEO. H. M. ROWE, M.D.

Visiting Physicians.

John G. Blake, M.D.	G. B. Shattuck, M.D.
Geo. H. Lyman, M.D.	Edw. J. Forster, M.D.
O. W. Doe, M.D.	James H. Denney, M.D.
A. L. Mason, M.D.	Chas. F. Folsom, M.D.
A. M. Sumner, M.D.	Thomas M. Rotch, M.D.

Visiting Surgeons.

D. W. Cheever, M.D.	|	Edw. H. Bradford, M.D.
Geo. W. Gay, M.D.	|	Abner Post, M.D.
Wm. P. Bolles, M.D.		M. F. Gavin, M.D.

Visiting Ophthalmic Surgeons.

H. W. Williams, M.D.		O. F. Wadsworth, M.D.
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OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENTS.

Physicians.

E. M. Buckingham, M.D.		Francis H. Williams, M.D.
		Chas. F. Withington, M.D.

Surgeons.

Francis S. Watson, M.D.	|	H. L. Burrell, M.D.
		H. W. Cushing, M.D.

Physicians for Diseases of Women.

W. E. Boardman, M.D.		C. M. Green, M.D.
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Physicians for Diseases of Nervous System.

Morton Prince, M.D.		Philip C. Knapp, Jr., M.D.
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Physicians for Diseases of the Ear.

J. Orne Green, M.D.		Francis H. Brown, M.D.
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Physicians for Diseases of the Skin.

Edw. Wigglesworth, M.D.		Geo. H. Tilden, M.D.
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Physicians for Diseases of the Throat.

Thos. Amory DeBlois, M.D.		Franklin H. Hooper, M.D.
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Pathologist.

W. W. Gannett, M.D.

Registrar.

Herbert B. Whitney, M.D.

MEDICAL AND SURGICAL ASSISTANTS.

Assistant to Ophthalmic Surgeons.

Myles Standish, M.D.

Assistant for Diseases of the Throat.

George H. Leland, M.D.

HOUSE STAFF.

House Physicians.

Wm. B. Fiske.
 Geo. O. Ward.
 H. Lincoln Chase.

House Surgeons.

Herbert L. Smith.
 Wm. H. Prescott.

Medical Internes.

Cyrus F. Carter.
 Walter E. Paul.

Surgical Internes.

William Barnes.
 C. M. Whitney.

Medical Externes.

John B. Walker.
 Paul Thorndike.

Surgical Externes.

Percival I. Eaton.
 Richard P. Francis.

Ophthalmic Interne.

Chas. J. Foote.

Ophthalmic Externe.

Walter L. Burrage.

HOSPITAL OFFICERS.

Samuel M. Nesmith, *Steward.*

Miss Lucy L. Drown, *Supt. Training-School and
 Matron.*

Greenleaf R. Tucker, *Apothecary.*

Samuel Delano, M.D., *First Assistant.*

Oliver H. Howe, M.D., *Second Assistant.*

Mrs. Hattie A. Edwards, *House-keeper.*

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES.

CITY HOSPITAL, BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1886.

To the Honorable City Council:—

The Trustees of the City Hospital, in compliance with the Ordinances, respectfully present herewith their Annual Report:—

Number of patients remaining in the Hospital Dec. 31, 1886	322
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Admitted during the year:—

Medical	2,757
Surgical	2,202
Ophthalmic	87
	<hr/> 5,046

Treated during the year	5,368
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Discharged	4,405
Died	603
	<hr/> 5,008

Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886	360
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Largest number in Hospital at any one time	391
Smallest number in Hospital at any one time	311
Daily average number of patients	344 +
Average length of stay of each patient (days)	23.39 +

Number of patients treated in the Out-patient Department, classified according to their diseases:—

Medical diseases	2,757
Surgical "	5,474
Diseases of the Eye	1,693
" " Ear	404
" " Skin	910
" of Women	412
" " Nervous System	455
" " the Throat	628
	<hr/> 12,733
Total	12,733

Number of visits to the Hospital, classified according to diseases : —

Medical diseases	4,637
Surgical "	16,579
Diseases of the Eye	9,930
" " Ear	1,383
" " Skin	2,236
" of Women	1,597
" " Nervous System	2,052
" " the Throat	2,156
Surgical out-patients treated at accident-room, and not elsewhere included	881
	41,451

The report of the Superintendent and Resident Physician, presented herewith, contains, besides other information, a statement of the expenditures of the fiscal year, and is accompanied by the reports of the medical staff. These reports give in detail the number of patients treated in the Hospital, and the number treated in the out-patient departments during the year, with classified statements of their diseases and the results of treatment.

The whole number of patients in the Hospital during the year was 5,368, and they were under treatment an average of 23.39 days each, making a total of 125,557 days, or 17,936 weeks. The entire cost of maintaining the Hospital during the year was at the rate of \$9.88+ per week, \$177,306 27 Deducting from the above the amount received on account of the board of paying patents . . . 32,407 57

Leaves, therefore, the sum of \$144,898 70 as the cost to the city of treating the non-paying patients. But after further deducting stock on hand (extraordinary expenses, such as alterations and additions, complete renovations of old wards, new furniture and fixtures, etc., not included in the maintenance for this year), and averaging the net cost of maintaining the Hospital for the year, among all the patients treated, we find the *average cost to the city, for board of each patient, was \$7.52+ per week*, — which is twelve cents per week less than last year.

The report of the Superintendent explains in detail the expenditures made during the year in maintaining the Hospital.

The number of patients under treatment during the year was 5,368. This is a larger number than has been received in any single year, and is 25 per cent. more than five years

ago, 40 per cent. more than ten years ago, and nearly 60 per cent. more than fifteen years ago. A study of the table of admissions in the first page of the Superintendent's report is interesting, and shows the steady increase in the amount of work done by the Hospital.

During the past year the largest number of patients in the Hospital at any one time was 391; the smallest number at any one time, 311. The average length of stay was $23\frac{1}{2}$ days. During the year, 6,408 applicants were examined for admission; of these, 5,368 were admitted, and 1,040 were rejected. The various causes of rejection appear elsewhere.

The total expenditure of the Hospital year has been \$177,306.27, but by considering the larger average number of patients treated, the expenditures have shown a comparative saving *pro rata* of \$2,150. The average net cost per patient each week this year was \$7.52, against \$7.64 last year, and \$8.39 two years ago.

It is doubtful if a large metropolitan hospital devoted to acute diseases and surgery can maintain a high standard of service and preservation at a cost less than \$7.50 per week.

The income from paying patients this year has been \$32,407.57. This is much larger than usual and is the result of the policy adopted of collecting board on account of those not entitled to it by reason of non-residence, and also of requiring payments from those resident but able to pay. This subject was more fully explained in our report of last year, to which reference is here made.

The expenditures for the year include a continuance of the plan of repairs now going on for the last few years. There is only one ward that has not been thoroughly renovated and repaired, and this will undoubtedly receive proper attention during the coming year. During this year four wards have been vacated in turn and thoroughly renovated and repaired. The outside of the administration building has been repaired and painted. Pavilion III. has likewise been painted outside as well as in all its wards.

An extraordinary demand was made upon our annual appropriation for new boilers not previously estimated. Early in the year the battery of four low-pressure boilers used for heating purposes was condemned. As no special appropriation was obtainable, this was provided for from our annual appropriation for general expenses. The old boilers were removed and new ones put in under contract, by Messrs. Kendall & Roberts. The cost was \$2,389, and was a most satisfactory improvement. Much work has been done in the way of small repairs, necessary in a large group of buildings like ours. Much work remains to be done that has been

pressing for some time, but which the Trustees were unable to undertake for want of sufficient means.

The Nurses' Home continues to do all that was expected of it. It has proved a relief to the Hospital in separating the nurses from the sick. The health of the nurses has been better, and they have comforts not previously possible.

The two new wards intended for patients admitted with contagious diseases were begun in June, and have progressed very slowly. At present the walls are completed and the roofs on. The winter season now retards their progress, and it is not possible that they will be available during the present cold season, the time of year they are most needed. The construction of these new wards is not under the management of this department, but we would respectfully urge those intrusted with this responsibility to push forward the work to an early completion.

The money appropriated for the reconstruction and alteration of our out-patient departments has not yet been used. After several consultations between the Trustees, the Staff, and the Superintendent, it was decided that a one-story building, as first recommended, was entirely insufficient for the present, to say nothing of the future necessities of those departments. The plans for a building of two stories were made. This involved many unexpected alterations in order to conform to the new building laws: strengthening foundations and walls, and practically a demolition of the old building. Late in the season it was considered unadvisable to construct the building as first planned, and the appropriation was insufficient to build it as desired by the Medical and Surgical Staff. The Trustees finally decided to postpone the matter and to again petition for a further sum of \$16,000 (the amount deemed necessary by the City Architect), to construct a building fitted for the work.

We respectfully recommend to the Mayor and the City Council a further appropriation to meet our necessities.

The Trustees have given much time and thought during this year to petitions asking "that homœopathic treatment may be furnished at the City Hospital for those who prefer it." The Trustees gave hearings to both petitioners and remonstrants; and, by careful inquiries into facts, and a candid discussion of the question, every effort was made to arrive at a fair judicial decision.

The decision of the Trustees and their reasons were embodied in a special document of thirty-two pages entitled "Action of the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital upon the petitions for the introduction of homœopathic treatment," etc.

The Trustees unanimously determined that it was inadvisable to grant the petition.

Sundry other petitioners, at about the same time, made requests "that the students of the Boston University of Medicine may be allowed to visit the City Hospital for clinical purposes;" that "all clinical advantages and privileges of the Hospital be made equally available to all students pursuing the study of medicine in Boston;" "that the Trustees allow all medical students and physicians to visit the Hospital for purposes of medical study and observation, on equal terms and subject to the same conditions." The Trustees carefully reexamined the rules and practice now existing at the City Hospital as to medical and surgical instruction; they also investigated personally and by letter the hospitals in other cities, and obtained the customs and practice relating to the subject in ninety-one American hospitals. The information obtained is believed to be accurate, coming from persons officially authorized to speak for their respective hospitals. The facts obtained were voluminous; and the treatment of the question, the statistics of other hospitals, the decision of the Trustees, and the amended rules, can be found in the printed document previously alluded to.

We quote from the document:

"The question of instruction to students has been considered, —

"1st. As to surgical operations and clinical instruction in the amphitheatre or other public room.

"2d. As to instruction in the wards or in the out-patient rooms.

"3d. As to the admission of female students to the various privileges.

"The large medical centres were visited and much information was obtained as to the practices prevailing there.

"Further and detailed facts were obtained by correspondences from all parts of the United States, and the results form an instructive collection of information on the question of the relation of hospitals to medical education.

On so important a decision, affecting the practice and welfare of both hospital and medical instruction, we deem it best to quote somewhat at length the decision as rendered by the Trustees through their Secretary: —

The present Trustees believe it their duty to continue to make the proper care and treatment of the sick and injured the main and controlling purpose of the Hospital, and to continue to permit medical instruction and observation in the Hospital only as incidental, and only so far as such instruction and observation can be afforded without detriment to the main purpose. While, as the Hospital is a city institution, they cannot

invite students of one school and debar those of another, they cannot assume to require of the Hospital staff, in addition to the duty of a careful attention to the patients, the giving of gratuitous instruction to medical students. Were they to impose the duty of free medical instruction upon the staff, the Trustees might properly be called upon to say further that the instruction should not be confined to one school of practice, but made to extend to the different schools in vogue in the city.

Being desirous, however, that the Hospital should afford to the citizens of Boston generally all incidental advantages in the way of medical knowledge which it is in the power of the Hospital to bestow, consistent with the welfare of the patients, the Trustees will gladly continue to offer the large amphitheatre to the staff not only for surgical operations or instruction, but will willingly extend these facilities to the medical department, requiring that in every case of introducing patients for instruction, the physician or surgeon in charge shall pronounce that the patient can undergo such examination and treatment without injury, and that the patient himself and the superintendent shall consent to the same.

This instruction in the amphitheatre has hitherto, as has been said, been open to all male students of medicine. The Trustees are now asked to extend the privilege of the amphitheatre to female students. The propriety of women practising as physicians or surgeons, and their comparative ability and fitness to pursue this profession, are not questions for the Trustees to consider in the official management of the Hospital; they must recognize the fact that women are becoming practitioners in all the schools of medicine; that they are admitted to the Massachusetts Medical and other State societies, and are recognized as such practitioners by the community at large; and that they are admitted in common with male students to other leading hospitals of the country. The Trustees therefore feel that there is no sufficient reason why women should not be admitted to the public instruction in the amphitheatre on the same terms as men, except as to certain operations from which a reasonable sense or regard for propriety may exclude them.

They have therefore determined that operations and instruction in the amphitheatre shall be open, upon reasonable regulations, to all students of medicine, of one year's standing, of duly incorporated colleges, with the proviso that the attending surgeon or physician may on any occasion reserve such cases as he deems improper for consideration in the presence of students of both sexes to the end of the lecture, and before proceeding with them require the withdrawal of all male or female students, as the case may be.

Such extension of the privileges of the Hospital in the direction indicated, if accepted by the staff, will, in the opinion of the Trustees, much increase its possible usefulness in the broader field of medical science and knowledge. The medical instruction which may thus be incidentally imparted by the members of the staff, who are of acknowledged eminence in their respective departments, will undoubtedly attract students from other institutions than those to which they are themselves attached, and of other schools of practice than those to which they themselves belong, but it will at the same time thus help to make this city more a centre for medical study and research, and help make the practice of its physicians, of whatever school they follow, more enlightened and beneficent. The staff, in thus adding to the general benefit conferred by the Hospital upon the community at large, would certainly not lessen the fame and prosperity of the particular institution especially receiving the benefit of their valuable medical knowledge and experience.

Clinical instruction in the wards must, from due regard to the many patients in various stages of disease, be limited, and conducted, if at all, with great care and circumspection. It would be manifestly detrimental to make it general, as in the amphitheatre; and in no great hospital in the country, even including those hospitals where medical instruction

would seem paramount to the care of the patient, are the wards so opened to all comers. On the other hand, to suffer members of the Visiting Staff specially to invite students or other physicians to accompany them in limited numbers on the Hospital visits — always subject to careful restrictions — would seem a proper return and courtesy which the Hospital can make to the staff for their arduous and gratuitous services. To compel them to make their daily visits free lectures to such medical students as might choose to attend, would, on the other hand, seem to impose an ungracious and uncalled burden upon the physician, and inflict a positive injury upon the patient, and to be contrary to the usage of every large hospital, so far as can be ascertained, in the country.

In accordance with the foregoing conclusions the Trustees have unanimously adopted the following rules, in place of those formerly existing upon the subject: —

Repeal Rules 158–159–160, and substitute therefor the following: —

No. 158. Members of the Surgical Visiting Staff may, on regularly appointed days, perform operations in the amphitheatre, and members of both the Medical and Surgical Visiting Staff may likewise give instruction there in their respective departments; and for the purposes of instruction they shall, subject to such restrictions as the Trustees may deem necessary, have the privilege of introducing patients, provided that in every case the attending surgeon or physician shall certify in writing that the patient may undergo such examination and treatment without detriment, and that the Superintendent and the patient consent thereto. Due notice of the nature of such operations or instruction shall, so far as practicable, be posted in the Lodge.

No. 159. When the amphitheatre is so opened for operations and instruction, physicians having received a degree of doctor of medicine, and students, of one year's standing, of any duly incorporated college or school of medicine or surgery, may be admitted in such numbers and on such regulations as the Trustees may from time to time determine. Whenever the operating surgeon or the physician shall deem a case improper for consideration, in the presence of students of both sexes, he may reserve such case for the close of his operation or lecture, and require the withdrawal of all male or female students, as the case may be. No female patient shall be taken into the amphitheatre without the attendance of a nurse (female), and no operation upon a female patient requiring the exposure of the genital organs shall be performed in the presence of male visiting students.

No. 160. Physicians and medical students accompanying, on his invitation, a member of the staff in his hospital visit or examinations, shall be limited to such numbers, not exceeding twenty, and shall conform to such regulations as the Trustees may from time to time determine, and shall further observe all such requests as to order and propriety as the attending physician or surgeon, or the Superintendent, may make.

No. 160A. The persons mentioned in the preceding rules shall be admitted only at the regular hours of operations, lectures, or visiting. Such persons shall, when required, show to the lodge-keeper cards of admission or of invitation issued in accordance with the above rules; and all cards or invitations so issued may at any time be revoked or suspended by the Trustees. All such tickets shall be forfeited if transferred to or used by persons other than those to whom they are issued. The Superintendent may compel the withdrawal of any person who violates the regulations of the Trustees or good order, or refuses to conform to the requirements of the physician or surgeon in attendance, and he shall report all such violations, and all breaches of the rules, to the Trustees.

The decision of the Trustees was well received by the

public, the press, and also the various professional schools of medicine.

Thus far the new regulations have worked satisfactorily, with but little friction, and we trust further reconsideration of these subjects will not be demanded for some time to come.

In 1878 a change was made in the organization of the Medical Department by the establishment of a service for the treatment of Diseases of the Nervous System. This service has been of great benefit to hundreds of patients treated in its wards. With the growth of the Hospital the Nervous Service has remained about the same in its average number of patients under treatment. The other medical services have increased to such numbers as to be laborious for those intrusted with the responsibility, and too large to insure proper care to each individual patient. After much consideration it was thought best to change the services, and this was accomplished on the closing day of the year by abolishing the "North Medical," "South Medical," and "Nervous Services," and in their places were established the First, Second, and Third Medical Services. By this arrangement the numbers are more equally distributed, the creation of a fourth medical service was avoided, and the arrangement made more agreeable to the Visiting Physicians.

The Trustees record with regret that during the year the Hospital has met with a great loss in the death of Chas. D. Homans, M.D., Senior Visiting Surgeon. Dr. Homans was one of the originally appointed Visiting Surgeons, and continued his labors from 1864 to the present year. He was a skilful surgeon, a sympathetic friend to the sick poor, a steadfast friend of the Hospital, ever interested in its prosperity and zealous of its good name and high rank. His counsel was valued by his colleagues and by the Trustees, and the Hospital has suffered a great loss.

M. F. Gavin, M.D., Surgeon to Out-Patients, has been appointed one of the Visiting Surgeons, and H. W. Cushing, M.D., has been made Surgeon to Out-Patients.

F. W. Draper, M.D., much to the regret of the Trustees, has resigned as Visiting Physician, and Thomas M. Rotch, M.D., Physician to Out-Patients, has been elected Visiting Physician. The vacancy created by Dr. Rotch's promotion has been filled by the election of Charles F. Whittington, M.D.

R. T. Edes, M.D., Visiting Physician to Department for Diseases of the Nervous System, resigned early in the year, having removed to another city.

By the abolishment of the Department for Diseases of the

Nervous System, the Visiting Physicians to that service were transferred to the newly created Medical Service.

The Trustees recognize the great interest manifested by the Medical and Surgical Staff in all that concerns the Hospital.

The year has brought many unusual questions for solution and the work incident to routine and emergencies has been great. The high standing and good repute of a hospital are largely owing to the labors and earnest endeavors of its professional staff, and the Trustees fully appreciate the value and extent of their services. The thanks of the Trustees are due to the many friends of the Hospital, who have aided in various ways, bringing assistance to the management and comfort and consolation to the sick: to the clergymen and Hospital Visitors and Readers; to the Flower Mission; the Hospital Newspaper Society; the Christmas Card Mission; to the Boston Young Men's Christian Union, for carriage-drives and to other charitable organized workers; to many known and unknown friends, for fruit, flowers, gifts, reading-matter, clothing, and money. All are gratefully appreciated, and deserve our cordial acknowledgments.

The work of the year has been greater than that of any previous year, and the thanks of the Trustees are due to the Officers, the House Staff, nursing service, and employes, for the part of each in contributing to the good results.

To no one more than the Superintendent, Dr. Rowe, are due the thanks of the Trustees for the excellent management of the Hospital during the year.

For the Trustees,

T. J. DACEY,

President.

OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND
RESIDENT PHYSICIAN.

CITY HOSPITAL, Dec. 31, 1886.

Trustees:—

I have the honor to present herewith my
report of the Hospital for the year, January 1 to
December 31, 1886, inclusive.

The following table shows the number of patients who
applied for admission, and been treated at

	Patients examined for admission.	Patients admitted.	Patients accidentally injured.	Number of out-patients treated.
January 1, 1864.....	703	475	129	371
December 31, 1865.....	1,451	1,066	242	1,143
December 31, 1866.....	1,749	1,432	345	3,324
December 31, 1867.....	1,913	1,534	328	7,015
December 31, 1868.....	2,729	2,078	417	8,794
April 30, 1870.....	4,632	3,054	482	11,791
December 31, 1871.....	3,977	2,396	525	8,899
December 31, 1872.....	4,387	2,873	565	8,947
December 31, 1873.....	4,326	3,304	600	7,526
December 31, 1874.....	4,250	3,201	804	9,272
December 31, 1875.....	4,652	3,424	756	8,732
December 31, 1876.....	4,434	3,180	689	9,413
December 31, 1877.....	4,713	3,580	663	8,526
December 31, 1878.....	5,068	4,034	604	9,658
December 31, 1879.....	5,285	4,323	734	10,419
December 31, 1880.....	5,444	3,995	505	10,309
December 31, 1881.....	5,781	4,418	553	10,605
December 31, 1882.....	5,842	4,107	567	12,035
December 31, 1883.....	5,991	4,423	666	12,174
December 31, 1884.....	6,152	4,780	531	14,241
December 31, 1885.....	6,072	4,831	676	12,005
December 31, 1885.....	3,965	3,229	562	8,271
December 31, 1886.....	6,086	5,046	757	12,733
.....	99,602	74,783	12,780	206,203

The number of patients, classified according to their diseases, who visited the Hospital for advice and treatment in the out-patient departments, was as follows: —

Medical diseases, under charge of Drs. Rotch, F. H. Williams, and Buckingham	2,757
Surgical diseases, under charge of Drs. Burrell, Watson, and Cushing	5,474
Diseases of the Eye, under charge of Drs. H. W. Williams and Wadsworth	1,693
Diseases of the Ear, under charge of Drs. J. O. Green and F. H. Brown	404
Diseases of the Skin, under charge of Drs. Wigglesworth and Tilden	910
Diseases of Women, under charge of Drs. Boardman and C. M. Green	412
Diseases of the Nervous System, under charge of Drs. Folsom, Prince, and Knapp	455
Diseases of the Throat, under charge of Drs. DeBlois and Hooper	628
Total	12,733

NUMBER OF VISITS MADE BY OUT-PATIENTS TO THE HOSPITAL.

Year.	Month.	Medical.	Surgical.	Eye.	Ear.	Skin.	Women.	Nervous.	Throat.	Total.
1883.	January.....	372	1,921	647	120	185	126	126	209	3,706
	February.....	337	729	734	93	170	129	141	166	2,468
	March.....	381	892	818	145	209	151	202	189	2,967
	April.....	414	1,967	882	169	195	159	202	158	4,116
1885.	May.....	424	2,067	790	141	188	184	144	176	4,069
	June.....	409	2,092	992	142	189	189	172	168	4,401
	July.....	454	1,141	961	83	168	146	178	191	3,339
	August.....	457	2,328	1,050	92	167	156	240	274	4,764
	September....	354	1,170	848	89	168	119	171	157	3,076
	October.....	389	854	690	120	195	118	133	170	2,868
	November....	363	742	823	108	225	127	184	157	2,729
	December....	283	686	615	81	182	93	165	141	2,246
		4,637	16,579	9,930	1,383	2,236	1,597	2,062	2,156	40,570
Surgical out-patients treated in the accident-room, not classified elsewhere.....										881
Total.....										41,451

EXAMINED FOR ADMISSION DURING THE YEAR.

Month.	Number examined.	Number admitted.	Number not admitted.
January	451	352	99
February	450	356	108
March	504	441	68
April	530	440	81
May	530	472	108
June	499	412	87
July	606	497	109
August	498	391	102
September	488	404	79
October	523	442	81
November	451	363	88
December	507	437	70
Total	6,086	5,046	1,040

APPLICANTS NOT ADMITTED.

Section.	January.	February.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	August.	September.	October.	November.	December.	Total.
Accommodation,	6	9	....	4	4	5	5	8	12	6	1	2	63
patient de-	19	16	20	30	43	33	42	29	30	20	24	15	321
.....	5	3	6	3	8	8	6	8	4	9	3	9	73
changed their	7	5	6	7	8	3	7	7	3	12	9	18	87
residence	10	11	....	1	3	4	3	2	3	1	1	2	41
.....	4	7	3	3	7	5	4	8	5	7	4	7	60
Drugs and Alco-	10	10	6	9	6	8	15	8	5	4	2	3	86
.....	10	17	4	7	6	5	1	5	4	1	1	4	65
.....	5	1	....	1	....	1	....	3	....	4	....	3	13
Chalingerers,	6	6	5	....	2	1	4	6	7	9	6	6	58
.....	....	1	4	3	3	5	5	5	....	1	1	1	29
.....	3	1	3	2	1	....	1	3	....	....	....	....	14
Private Insti-	9	11	3	6	16	9	15	10	5	3	6	4	97
.....	5	5	3	....	1	....	1	....	1	4	....	1	31
Total	99	108	63	61	108	87	109	102	79	81	58	70	1,040

STATISTICAL STATEMENT.

Applicants for admission	6,088
Admitted of the above	5,046
Patients accidentally injured	881
Patients in the Hospital Jan. 1, 1885	322
Total number in Hospital during the year	5,368
Total number, including out-patients, treated during the year	18,982
Discharged, including death	5,008
Daily average number in Hospital	344
Largest number at any time in Hospital	391
Smallest number at any time in Hospital	311
Average time of remaining in Hospital (days)	23.3

RECAPITULATION.

Medical patients admitted	2,757
Surgical " "	2,204
Ophthalmic " "	87
Total	5,046

EMPLOYMENT OF PATIENTS ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

MALES.		<i>Brought forward</i> 526	
Actors	5	Coppersmiths	4
Agents	21	Cooks	37
Apprentices	8	Coopers	12
Bakers	37	Curriers	20
Bar-tenders	22	Druggists	8
Barbers	30	Drivers	28
Blacksmiths	48	Dyers	8
Book-binders	14	Engineers	27
Book-keepers	10	Elevator-boys	5
Bottlers	5	Errand-boys	30
Boiler-makers	12	Expressmen	5
Brewers	8	Factory operatives	12
Bricklayers	15	Farmers	19
Brokers	3	Fishermen	19
Brass-finishers	8	Firemen	36
Butchers	15	Fruit-dealers	8
Carpenters	114	Gardners	8
Cabinet-makers	28	Gas-fitters	4
Carriage-builders	4	Grocers	8
Cigar-makers	10	Hatters	8
Coachmen	22	Hostlers	39
Clerks	61	Harness-makers	4
Conductors	12	Iron-workers	20
Contractors	12	Ice business	2
Confectioners	6	Janitors	6
Collectors	2	Jewellers	12
Commercial travellers	4	Journalists	4
		Junk-dealers	6
<i>Carried forward</i>	526	<i>Carried forward</i>	805

<i>ward</i>	805	<i>Brought forward</i>	2,467
.....	820	Telegraph operators.....	3
.....	3	Teamsters.....	145
.....	4	Teachers.....	9
.....	2	Tinsmiths.....	9
.....	35	Traders.....	2
.....	57	Trunk-makers.....	2
.....	4	Undertakers.....	4
.....	37	Upholsterers.....	9
.....	3	Victuallers.....	8
.....	23	Varnishers.....	2
.....	2	Waiters.....	41
.....	9	Wardmasters.....	6
.....	116	Watchmen.....	7
.....	4	Weavers.....	5
.....	72	Wheelwrights.....	3
.....	1	Wood-carvers.....	10
.....	5	Unknown.....	207
.....	2	Not classified.....	65
.....	9		
.....	8	Total.....	3,104
.....	15		
.....	7	FEMALES.	
.....	3	Book-keepers.....	3
.....	10	Domestics.....	649
.....	15	Dressmakers.....	31
.....	34	Factory operatives.....	22
.....	85	Housewives.....	643
.....	12	House-keepers.....	12
.....	7	Laundresses.....	36
.....	10	Milliners.....	2
.....	6	No occupation.....	148
.....	9	Nurses.....	48
.....	12	Saleswomen.....	14
.....	59	School-girls.....	55
.....	99	Seamstresses.....	30
.....	6	Teachers.....	9
.....	37	Tailoresses.....	30
.....	5	Waitresses.....	26
.....	6	Unknown.....	166
.....	12	Not classified.....	13
.....	57		
<i>ward</i>	2,467	Total.....	1,942

OF PATIENTS ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

<i>ward</i>	719	<i>Brought forward</i>	1,648
Massachusetts.....	114	Azores.....	2
.....	227	Belgium.....	1
.....	57	East Indies.....	1
.....	81	Denmark.....	4
.....	12	England.....	226
.....	11	Finland.....	3
.....	1	France.....	6
.....	113	Germany.....	213
.....	14	Ireland.....	2,659
.....	19	Italy.....	49
.....	3	Newfoundland.....	30
.....	322	Norway.....	10
.....	1	Poland.....	15
.....	4	Portugal.....	1
<i>ward</i>	1,648	<i>Carried forward</i>	4,867

<i>Brought forward</i>	4,867	<i>Brought forward</i>	4,953
Sweden	85	Switzerland	1
Prussia	1	Turkey	1
Russia	26	Wales	8
Scotland	54	West Indies	7
South America	8	Unknown	46
Spain	1		
<i>Carried forward</i>	4,953	Total	5,046

CONDITION OF PATIENTS DISCHARGED.

Well	1,608	Not treated.....	105
Relieved.....	2,613	Died.....	608
Not relieved.....	117		
		Total	5,046

AGES OF PATIENTS ADMITTED DURING THE YEAR.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
Under 12 months.....	19	Under 12 months.....	18
From 1 to 5 years.....	87	From 1 to 5 years.....	47
“ 5 to 10	167	“ 5 to 10	69
“ 10 to 20	887	“ 10 to 20	190
“ 20 to 30	859	“ 20 to 30	652
“ 30 to 40	583	“ 30 to 40	466
“ 40 to 50	500	“ 40 to 50	217
“ 50 to 60	297	“ 50 to 60	150
“ 60 to 70	131	“ 60 to 70	81
“ 70 to 80	58	“ 70 to 80	83
“ 80 to 90	7	“ 80 to 90	9
“ 90 to 100	1	Unknown	15
Unknown	68		
Total	3,104	Total	1,942

CIVIL CONDITION.

MALES.		FEMALES.	
Married.....	1,028	Married	700
Single.....	1,699	Single.....	925
Widowers.....	380	Widows	805
Unknown.....	47	Unknown.....	12
Total	3,104	Total	1,942

The number of patients admitted with accidental injuries was 881, and of all patients treated in the Hospital 221 died within forty-eight hours after admission.

NUMBER OF PATIENTS TREATED EACH YEAR, AND RATE OF MORTALITY.

	No. of Patients Treated.	Died.	Rate of Mortality.
1864, 7 months, ending Dec. 31 .	475	47	.099
1865, year ending Dec. 31. .	1,167	97	.083
1866, “ “ “ .	1,549	123	.080
1867, “ “ “ .	1,697	146	.086
1868, “ “ “ .	2,219	163	.073
1870, 16 months, ending April 30,	3,235	246	.076
1871, year ending April 30, .	2,569	215	.083

	No. of Patients Treated.	Died.	Rate of Mortality.
1872, year ending April 30,	3,054	247	.080
1873, " " " "	3,527	351	.099
1874, " " " "	3,435	282	.082
1875, " " " "	3,662	291	.079
1876, " " " "	3,421	290	.084
1877, " " " "	3,843	287	.074
1878, " " " "	4,334	311	.071
1879, " " " "	4,631	347	.074
1880, " " " "	4,298	401	.093
1881, " " " "	4,707	421	.089
1882, " " " "	4,382	415	.094
1883, " " " "	4,702	473	.100
1884, " " " "	5,061	476	.094
1885, " " " "	5,167	513	.099
1885, 8 months, ending Dec. 31	3,550	363	.102
1886, year ending Dec. 31	5,368	603	.110

DISBURSEMENTS FROM JAN. 1, 1886, TO DEC. 31, 1886.

ARTICLES.	Quantity.	Cost.	Average Price.
SUBSISTENCE SUPPLIES.			
Beef.....	172,682 lbs.	\$18,346 23	.106 per lb.
Mutton and Lamb.....	45,811 "	4,797 88	.104 " "
Veal.....	4,519 "	499 94	.110 " "
Fowl.....	45,100 "	7,002 25	.155 " "
Pork and Hams.....	10,028 "	1,023 17	.102 " "
Lard.....	3,304 "	231 50	.070 " "
Butter.....	18,838 "	4,444 31	.235 " "
Cheese.....	1,687 "	206 70	.124 " "
Eggs.....	20,399 doz.	4,242 47	.207 per doz.
Vegetables.....		4,132 41	
Fish.....		1,680 48	
Groceries.....		8,675 47	
Flour.....	497 bbls.	2,498 60	5.02 per bbl.
Milk.....	35,076 cans.	10,966 37	.312 " can.
Ice.....	678 ¹⁷ / ₁₀₀ tons.	1,514 64	2.25 " ton.
Water.....	1,741,000 ft.	2,321 20	.133 " hnd. ft.
FUEL.			
Coal.....	\$9,233 59		
Wood and Charcoal.....	174 00		4.84 " ton.
		9,457 59	
Carried forward.....		\$82,031 21	

DISBURSEMENTS, *Continued.*

ARTICLES.	Cost.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$82,081 21
MEDICAL SUPPLIES.	
Medicines and Drugs.....	\$4,943 42
Surgical Instruments.....	1,002 29
Druggists' Sundries.....	478 30
Flaxseed Meal.....	569 51
Alcohol.....	784 77
Liquors.....	2,023 08
Ale, Cider, and Porter	549 90
Compress and Bandage.....	4,074 76
	15,066 07
BUILDINGS.	
General Repair.....	\$3,304 14
Boiler "	2,389 65
	5,693 79
Grounds	894 22
Gas.....	6,008 17
Salaries and Labor..	44,879 87
Furnishing.....	2,807 83
Beds and Bedding.....	2,506 07
Dry Goods.....	1,089 64
Printing	\$1,154 72
Stationery	751 44
Annual Reports.....	186 85
	2,068 01
Medical Library.....	170 37
Stable	1,301 09
Advertising	85 75
Watering Streets.....	138 83
Telephone Rentals, Electric Repairs, Medical Batteries...	456 16
Telegraph and Messenger Service.....	344 78
	Total expenditure in maintaining the Hospital for the year ending Dec. 31, 1886.....
	\$165,021 85
Alterations and Additions.....	3,331 32
Painting	2,335 96
Plumbing Alterations.....	659 38
New Furniture.....	857 39
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$172,206 90

DISBURSEMENTS, *Continued.*

ARTICLES.	Cost.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$172,306 90
Fixtures	907 30
New Ambulance.....	\$525 00
Ambulance Horse.....	260 00
Ambulance Service.....	816 28
	1,601 28
Tents	366 64
Nurses' Home.....	997 05
Expense incurred in ascertaining the settlement of patients.....	1,228 01
Total Expenditure	\$177,306 27
<i>Stock on hand, Jan. 1, 1886.</i>	
General Supplies.....	\$2,245 57
Medical	1,928 00
Liquors.....	437 00
	4,610 57
	\$181,916 84
DEDUCT.	CR.
<i>Stock on hand, Jan. 1, 1886.</i>	
General Supplies.....	\$2,901 77
Medical	1,498 27
Liquors	491 92
Alterations and Additions	2,931 33
Painting.....	2,335 96
Plumbing.....	659 38
New furniture.....	857 39
New fixtures	907 39
Ambulance Service	1,010 25
Tents	366 64
Nurses' Home	997 05
Expense incurred in ascertaining settlement of patients	1,228 01
Income from Paying Patients	32,407 57
Sale of old material.....	509 27
	\$49,102 19
	\$182,814 65

The foregoing statistics show that the total expenditure during the year has been \$177,306.27. This sum is reduced to \$165,021.65 by deducting from the total expenditure the cost of alterations and additions, renovating four wards, new appliances, etc., which are not chargeable to the current expenses of the Hospital. This amount includes every expenditure, and gives a cost of \$9.88 per week for each patient. If, however, we allow for the difference in stock at the beginning and close of the year, the income from paying patients, and the extraordinary expenses, etc., not chargeable to the maintenance for this year, we have as a *net cost* to the city of running the Hospital \$132,814.65, or *per capita* for each patient treated during the year \$7.52 per week. The income from paying patients has been \$32,407.57.

The largest number of patients on any one day was 391, against 365 last year; the smallest was 311, against 265 last year. The daily average was 344, which is 29 more than last year, and 58 more than two years ago. The average length of stay was $23\frac{3}{5}$ days.

The number of patients admitted with accidental injuries was 881. Of all patients admitted 221 died within 48 hours after admission. The rate of mortality was 11 per cent. If from the total number of deaths we deduct those brought to the Hospital in a dying condition, the annual mortality is reduced from 11 to 7 per cent.

The appropriation for this year will be barely enough to meet our wants, and many repairs contemplated must go over to another year. The amount asked for was reduced by \$10,000. Had the new buildings been occupied, as we had reason to expect, our appropriation would have failed. In addition, by the introduction of weekly payments, we are required to pay for thirteen months' salaries and wages instead of twelve.

The total expenditures for the period included in this report has been \$177,306.27. The average net cost per patient each week was \$7.52, against \$7.64 last year and \$8.39 two years ago. During the year 5,368 patients have been treated in the wards, 13,614 as out-patients, making a total of 18,982 who have received treatment in the various departments during the year. Of 6,086 persons examined for admission 1,040 have been rejected, which is proportionately less than last year. Of the number rejected nearly one-third were nominal applications, they being subsequently treated as out-patients and obtaining such benefits as seemed suited to their cases. Nearly one-third were unsuitable, being either wholly incurable or the victims of intemperance, improvidence, or malingerers; of the remaining third only 62 were rejected

for want of room out of 6,086 applications. Of the 19 daily average of applicants, 2 were rejected and 17 admitted. The largest number admitted in any one month was 497, in July, and the smallest, 352 in January. In the Out-patient Departments 13,614 persons made 41,451 visits, which, distributed among the week-days of the year, made an average daily attendance of 133 out-patients. The largest attendance was 4,764 in the month of August, being a daily average of 183; the smallest was 2,246 in December, and the daily average was 83. In the nine departments for treating out-patients 17,460 visits, or 42 per cent. of the whole, were surgical. Nine thousand nine hundred and thirty visits, or 21 per cent., were to the Eye Department, and the remaining 37 per cent. were distributed among the various other services. The various Out-patient Departments are crowded and insufficient, and much benefit and comfort is anticipated on the completion of the reconstructed out-patient building.

The capacity of the wards remains the same as last year, 425 beds, and, with rare exceptions, has been found sufficient, except in the wards for contagious diseases. During the year the experiment has been made of removing one bed in each of four wards in order to utilize fireplaces heretofore disused. The experiment has proved very satisfactory, and we have derived all the well-recognized benefits coming from practical fireplaces in sick rooms; the enjoyment derived by patients has been great. When we obtain the additional beds from the new wards we shall next winter remove other beds from these wards, and utilize other disused fireplaces, hoping for still greater benefits. Our want of bed-space has heretofore prevented this comfort.

During the summer season the tent-service has been used, as in previous seasons, for the most serious surgical cases. Its maintenance, when once established, is comparatively inexpensive. It is the testimony of all interested in hospital sanitation that tents afford surgical resources not obtainable in a permanent hospital ward, and our experience is, that when elective, they are chosen alike by surgeons, patients, and the nursing service. The space acquired by our fifty-six beds in tents enables us to vacate in turn the permanent wards, for sanitary renovation. During the past year six wards were vacated and four were renovated throughout; every inch of surface being subjected to paint or other suitable treatment. Wards P, T, K, and L, were thus treated, affording opportunity to make many small but useful changes always suggesting themselves, but not always easy to accomplish in a ward full of sick patients.

The exterior of the Central administrative building has

been painted, and received the general repairs so long needed. During the summer season much painting and general repairs has been done in a large number of places. The thirteen buildings comprising the hospital group are (excepting the Lodge) in a better condition as to appearance and repair than at any time since they were built.

Early in the season it was found, as might have been anticipated, that our battery of four low-pressure boilers, used solely for heating purposes for sixteen years, were unsafe, and they were condemned. New boilers replaced the old, and during the winter season we have been able to keep our numerous buildings in a more comfortable condition, with a greater frequency of change of air than for several years past. At times, however, during low temperature, with a high wind velocity, we have had some difficulty in keeping the wards up to a standard of sixty-eight degrees. It is doubtful if we shall be able to properly warm our new wards without additional boilers, and the subject is here suggested for your consideration.

Since the growth of the Hospital from 325 to 425 beds there has been an increased demand for labor and general supplies. The apparatus and space in kitchens, laundry, and service-rooms generally have reached their full capacity for work by comfortable methods. The heating apparatus is at its limit; the water-supply has been enlarged; the Lodge has long since outgrown its capacity to conveniently accommodate the throngs of visitors who come in visiting hours; the greenhouses have been crowded into the shade, and the airing spaces are less than would be desirable. During the tenting season the entire grounds are utilized to their fullest extent, and radical and costly changes will be required on the addition of more buildings. The space but a few years ago considered ample for many years to come is already in active use. The vacant East Chester park lot, now in your jurisdiction, affords room for isolating buildings, but there will have to be maintained a separate annex dependent upon their own resources for heat, kitchens, and other necessary adjuncts. This lot, placed under your care in 1883, cannot be used to advantage unless the land at the corner of Albany street and East Chester park is acquired, East Springfield street closed, and the block of land made a common part of our present occupied grounds. Such acquisition has been previously recommended, and is respectfully referred for your consideration.

The Training School for Nurses is now at the close of its ninth year. The following is a summary of the changes: At the beginning of the year there were seventy nurses. During the year twenty-nine pupils have been graduated; of

these five were retained as head-nurses ; four graduate head-nurses have resigned ; six pupils have been allowed to resign on account of impaired health and strength ; two have died, and one was discharged for cause.

One graduate, five former pupils, and thirty-eight probationers have joined the school, leaving seventy, — the same number of nurses as at the beginning of the year. The Superintendent of Nurses, the Assistant Superintendent, the Night Supervisor, and nine head-nurses are graduates ; there are also fifty assistants nurses and four probationers.

The Superintendent of Nurses and her assistant, have given 259 formal class recitations in the manuals and text-books, and there have been 101 classes in *massage*. The Senior nurses have in classes aggregated 196 lessons in sick cookery at the Boston Cooking-school.

The following lectures have been given to the whole school by the Medical and Surgical Staff : —

- Six by Dr. Gay ; surgical dressings, bandaging, etc. ;
 - Two by Dr. Doe ; nursing in the lying-in room ;
 - Two by Dr. C. M. Green ; physiology of pregnancy and labor ;
 - Two by Dr. Lyman ; nursing in gynæcological cases ;
 - Two by Dr. Mason ; nursing in fevers ;
 - Two by Dr. Greenleaf ; medicines : their kinds, administration, etc. ;
 - Two by Dr. Tilden ; diseases of skin and syphilis in adults and infants ;
 - One by Dr. Cheever ; before and after surgical operations ;
 - One by Dr. J. O. Green ; the ear, its diseases and care ;
 - One by Dr. Wadsworth ; the eye, care and nursing ;
 - One by Dr. Watson ; antiseptic dressings ;
 - One by Dr. Folsom ; the insane and their nursing ;
 - One by Dr. Shattuck ; epidemic diseases and disinfection ;
 - One by Dr. Rotch ; children, their care in health and disease ;
 - One by Dr. Burrell ; surgical emergencies ;
 - One by Dr. Buckingham ; nursing in tracheotomy ;
- Making a total of 27 lectures during the lecture months of the year.

The Training School, which for several years was a matter of experiment, and which required constant adjustment and many changes, is now so thoroughly matured in its methods, and has become such an integral part of the organization, that its course is not marked by events that previously have attracted attention in our hospital life.

The school year has been one of evenness and excellence ; no special event has occurred to mar its course, and the bene

fits accruing to the welfare of the sick — always the primary object of the Hospital — have been great and happily satisfactory.

In conclusion, I cannot refrain from congratulating the Trustees on the excellent general condition of the Hospital; the good character of its service; the loyal and zealous spirit that generally prevails, and the favorable and beneficial results of the year's work.

Our organization is large and complex, with practically a household of more than 600 people under one roof, whose work is one requiring unceasing and vigilant industry and pains on the part of all workers, and often not free from harassing and anxious care and strain. That such an arrangement should work together for the good of those intrusted to your care, without visible friction, any untoward event or calamity, is a happy outcome of the year's work.

The friends of the Hospital — the clergy, the Hospital visitors and readers, the societies, and individuals who have each in their way contributed by little or much — are all entitled to a cordial acknowledgment of their kindness to the sick, to whom their attentions are always grateful. Generous gifts of flowers, fruit, books, reading-matter, toys, and clothing and numerous things, have been sent us.

My official thanks are due to my officers, who have assisted me in accomplishing the good work of the year.

The nurses and employes have, as a rule, been earnest and faithful in their part of the service, and are entitled to commendation.

I desire to acknowledge my obligations to the members of the Medical and Surgical Staff, for their advice and support.

In presenting this, my eighth annual report, to the Trustees, I wish to express my cordial thanks for many evidences of confidence and trust received during the year, and to acknowledge with gratitude their hearty support and indulgence.

I have the honor to be

Your obedient servant,

G. H. M. ROWE,

Superintendent and Resident Physician.

REPORT OF THE HOSPITAL STAFF.

MEDICAL DISEASES,

According to the Nomenclature of Diseases, as published by the College of Physicians of London, and American Medical Association.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886.	
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.		
A.												
.....	2	2	2	2	2					2		
.....	12	10	22	22						22		
.....	10	19	15	34	37	2	1		2	42	2	
.....	11	159	112	271	209	19	1		31	260	22	
.....		13	12	25	23	1				24	1	
.....		29	3	32	24	6	1			31	1	
.....		6	1	7	2	3				5	2	
.....			1	1	1					1		
.....	8	51	51	102	60	3	19	1	18	101	4	
.....		1	2	3	1	1				3		
.....			1	1							1	
.....		1		1		1				1		
.....	1	27	30	57	48	1	1		6	56	2	
.....		1		1						1		
.....			1	1						1		
B.												
.....	10	70	32	102	72	33			1	106	6	
.....	10	97	32	129	83	50		2		135	4	
.....		10	1	11	3	7		1		11		
d.	45	498	304	802	587	127	23	4	61	802	45	

MEDICAL DISEASES.—Continued.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Total.	Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1896.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.			
<i>Brought forward</i>	45	498	304	802	587	127	23	4	61	802	45	
Synovial Rheumatism.....		6	3	9	1	5	1			7	2	
Rheumatism.....		2	5	7	5	2				7		
Chronic Rheumatism.....	3	8	2	10	7	4				11	2	
Chronic Rheumatic Arthritis.....		3	4	7	1	5				6	1	
Acute Gout.....		1		1	1					1		
Arthritis.....		1	1	2			2			2		
Syphilis.....		4	8	12	2	8	1			11	1	
Cerebral.....	1	4	2	6	2	3	2			7		
Spinal.....		1		1		1				1		
Chancroid.....			1	1		1				1		
Lupus.....		1		1		1				1		
Tubercular Meningitis.....		6	3	9					9	9		
Hæmoptysis.....		11	3	14	2	11	1			14		
Acute Miliary Tuberculosis.....		4	5	9			1		8	9		
Tubercular Peritonitis.....		1		1			1			1		
Amyloid Degeneration.....			1	1		1				1		
Diabetes.....		2	1	3		3				3		
Mellitus Incipiens.....		1		1					1	1		
Purpura.....		1	1	2			1			1	1	
Anæmia.....	3	10	31	41	20	21			1	42	2	
Chlorosis.....	1				1					1		
Pernicious Anæmia.....		1		1			1			1		
Pseudo Leucæmia.....		1		1		1				1		
Exhaustion.....		2	2	4	2				2	4		
DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.												
Encephalitis Diffuse Cortical.....		1		1			1			1		
Meningitis.....		6	2	8	1	3			4	8		
Tumor of Brain.....		1		1					1	1		
Degeneration of the Brain.....		2		2		1			1	2		
Apoplexy.....		1	1	2					2	2		
Sanguineous.....		6	6	12		6	1		5	12		
<i>Carried forward</i>	53	596	386	982	632	204	26	4	95	971	54	

MEDICAL DISEASES.—Continued.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Total.	Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1896.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.			
d.....	53	686	386	962	632	204	36	4	96	971	54	
ON		1		1	1					1		
B.....	1	2		2	1	1				2	1	
ects of.....		4		4	3				1	4		
.....		1		1		1				1		
.....		1		1		1				1		
.....		2	1	3		3				3		
SPINAL CORD AND BRANCHES.												
.....			1	1					1	1		
.....		2	3	5	3	3	1		6	10		
.....			3	3		2			1	3		
.....		1				1				1		
.....		1		1		1				1		
THE NERVES.												
.....		2		2		1				1	1	
.....		4	2	6	3	9			2	11	1	
.....		1	5	6		4	1			5	1	
.....			1	1		1				1		
.....		3	1	4	1	2				3	1	
.....		2		2		1		1		2		
d.....		1		1		1				1		
.....		3	6	9	5	3		1		9		
.....	2	9	7	16	6	8	3			17	1	
.....		3		3		1			1	2	1	
.....		1	1	2		1				1	1	
.....		1		1		1				1		
DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM.												
.....		1		1							1	
Fit).....		1		1		1				1		
.....		1		1		1				1		
.....		1	5	6	1	4				5	1	
d.....	64	640	420	1040	650	266	41	6	107	1060	64	

MEDICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.					Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886.	
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	64	640	420	1040	650	256	41	6	107	1060	64
Hysteria .....	.....	2	10	12	3	7	.....	.....	1	11	1
Epilepsy	2	3	6	9	1	6	2	.....	1	10	1
Neuralgia	2	6	10	16	11	5	1	.....	.....	17	1
Hemicrania .....	.....	1	2	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Sciatica	2	15	2	17	11	7	.....	.....	.....	18	1
Insomnia.....	.....	3	.....	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Lumbago .....	.....	17	6	23	11	10	1	.....	.....	22	1
Cephalalgia	3	2	.....	2	2	3	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Intercostal Neuralgia .....	.....	.....	3	3	1	2	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Myalgia.....	2	2	4	1	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	.....
Progressive Muscular Atrophy	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Hypochondriasis	4	1	5	1	2	2	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Vertigo	2	.....	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Epilepsia Jacksonia	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
DISEASES OF INTELLECT.											
Mania.....	1	4	5	.....	2	3	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
Alcoholic Insanity	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Delusional Insanity .....	.....	3	3	.....	1	2	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Melancholia	1	1	6	6	3	4	.....	.....	.....	7	.....
Dementia	1	1	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Acute	1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Senile.....	1	1	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Paralysis of the Insane, General.....	7	1	8	.....	4	3	.....	1	.....	8	.....
Hystero Epilepsy .....	.....	2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
Alcoholic Epilepsy	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Epileptic Insanity.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.											
DISEASES OF THE HEART AND ITS MEMBRANES.											
Pericarditis .....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Valve Disease.....	7	56	35	91	.....	57	4	.....	26	87	11
<i>Carried forward</i>	81	772	514	1266	701	378	64	6	137	1276	81

MEDICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1886.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
Card.....	81	772	514	1286	701	378	64	6	137	1276	81
.....	.....	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
.....	.....	2	2	4	.....	1	.....	.....	3	4	.....
Undetermined .....	.....	3	2	5	.....	3	.....	.....	2	5	.....
THE ARTERIES.											
Marquand.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
.....	1	4	.....	4	.....	1	1	.....	2	4	1
THE VEINS.											
.....	1	2	1	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	1
.....	1	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....
OF LARYNX.											
.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
.....	1	2	2	4	1	4	.....	.....	.....	6	.....
.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
TRACHEA AND OESOPHAGUS.											
.....	.....	5	6	11	8	2	1	.....	.....	11	.....
.....	1	22	23	45	27	18	.....	.....	.....	40	6
.....	1	15	28	43	12	22	.....	.....	9	43	1
.....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
.....	.....	2	1	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
OF THE LUNG.											
.....	6	104	39	143	76	13	.....	.....	54	143	6
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
.....	.....	8	.....	8	.....	6	.....	.....	1	7	1
Phthisis .....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....
Chronic Phthisis	23	135	67	202	5	143	7	1	54	210	15
THE PLEURA.											
.....	3	43	8	51	21	25	1	1	4	52	2
Card.....	130	1125	609	1904	858	617	74	8	273	1820	114

MEDICAL DISEASES.—Continued.

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		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	120	1125	609	1804	858	617	74	8	273	1820	114
Dry Pleurisy .....	.....	2	1	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
Empyema	1	9	.....	9	3	4	1	.....	1	9	1
Pneumo-hydrothorax .....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	2	.....
Pneumo-thorax	1	3	1	4	.....	1	.....	.....	4	5	.....
Pneumo-thorax	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	.....
DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.											
Stomatitis .....	.....	5	.....	5	4	1	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
DISEASES OF THE TONGUE.											
Glossitis .....	.....	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF THE FAUCES AND PALATE.											
Quincy .....	.....	1	2	3	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	1
Tonsillitis	1	21	33	54	49	4	.....	.....	.....	53	2
DISEASES OF THE PHARYNX.											
Pharyngitis .....	.....	4	4	8	4	3	.....	.....	.....	7	1
Stricture œsophagus.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	2	.....
DISEASES OF THE STOMACH.											
Gastritis .....	.....	5	13	18	8	10	.....	.....	.....	18	.....
Hæmetemesis .....	.....	5	.....	5	3	2	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Dyspepsia	5	6	21	27	20	12	.....	.....	.....	32	.....
Gastrodynia .....	.....	1	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1
Cancer .....	.....	5	4	9	.....	2	3	.....	3	8	1
Gastro-Duodenitis .....	.....	7	3	10	12	3	.....	.....	.....	15	.....
Gastric Catarrh	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
Undetermined .....	.....	1	1	2	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2	.....
Acute Indigestion .....	.....	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF THE INTESTINES.											
Typhlitis-Peri.....	1	2	2	4	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	.....
Dysentery .....	.....	8	3	11	8	.....	.....	.....	3	11	.....
Carcinoma .....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....
Diarrhœa	1	13	13	26	17	8	.....	.....	1	26	.....
<i>Carried forward</i>	133	1236	806	2017	1000	670	79	8	290	2067	121

MEDICAL DISEASES.—Continued.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31.
		Males	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	140	1343	888	2201	1034	755	89	12	335	2215	1
Complex Cystic Tumor.....			2	2				1		1	
DISEASES OF BROAD LIGAMENT.											
Pelvic Peritonitis.....	1		12	12	8	4		1		13	
Pelvic Cellulitis.....	5		53	53	21	27	1	1		50	
Abdominal Abscess.....			1	1		1				1	
Abscess, Pelvic.....	1		9	9	2	4			1	7	
Periuterine Hæmatocele.....			1	1							
DISEASES OF THE WOMB.											
Endometritis			2	2	1					1	
Ulcer			2	2			2			2	
Carcinoma	1		11	11		4	3	1	2	10	
Endocervicitis	1		7	7	3	4				7	
Fibrous Tumors.....	3		9	9	1	5		1	4	11	
Lacerated Perinæum			7	7	4	3				7	
" Cervix.....	1		13	13	3	8		1		12	
Anteversio.....			2	2	2					2	
Retroversio.....	1		7	7	1	6				7	
Anteflexio.....			4	4	2	1		1		4	
Lateral Flexio.....			1	1			1			1	
Prolapsus.....			3	3	1	2				3	
Procidencia.....			1	1		1				1	
Anteflexio of Cervix			1	1			1			1	
Cystocele.....			2	2		2				2	
Inflammation of Vagina.....			1	1	1					1	
Laceration of Vaginal Wall.....			1	1	1					1	
Pruritus.....			1	1		1				1	
Atresia Os Internum.....			1	1		1				1	
Retained Placenta			3	3	3					3	
FUNCTIONAL DISEASES OF WOMEN.											
Amenorrhœa			2	2	2					2	
Leucorrhœa			1	1	1					1	
<i>Carried forward</i>	154	1343	1048	2361	1091	809	97	19	342	2368	14

MEDICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1896.	
	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	154	1343	1048	2391	1001	809	97	19	842	2368	156
Dysmenorrhœa.....			1	1	1					1	
Menorrhagia.....			4	4	1	2				3	1
Metrorrhagia.....			10	10	8	2				10	
Pregnancy.....			2	2	1		1			2	
Hystero-Necrosis.....	1		1	1		2				2	
Uterine Collc.....			1	1	1					1	
DISEASES OF PREGNANCY.											
Vomiting of Pregnancy.....			4	4	2	2				4	
Abcess of Vulva.....			1	1		1				1	
Abortion.....	1		1	1	1	1				2	
Premature Labor.....	2		17	17	14	4			1	19	
Labor at Term.....			6	6	4					4	2
Thrombus of Vulva.....			1	1	1					1	
DISEASES OF THE MUSCULAR SYSTEM.											
Abdominales, Spasm of Recti.....		1		1		1				1	
DISEASES OF CELLULAR TISSUE.											
Cellulitis.....		2	1	3	1		1	1		3	
DISEASES OF CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.											
Erythema.....			1	1	1					1	
Læve.....		2		2	2					2	
Nodosum.....		3	1	4	2	2				4	
Erysipelas.....		1	1	2	2					2	
Eczema.....	2	5	3	8	1	9				10	3
Psoriasis.....			2	2	2					2	
Zoster.....		3		3	3					3	
Rupia Syphilitica.....		1		1		1				1	
Scabies.....		1		1		1				1	
Dermatitis.....			1	1	1					1	
POISONS.											
METALS AND THEIR SALTS.											
Arsenic.....		2		2	1				1	2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	100	1364	1107	2471	1141	887	99	20	844	2451	163

MEDICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

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		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		
<i>Brought forward</i>	160	1364	1107	2441	1141	837	99	20	344	245	
Mercury	1	1	1	2	2	1				3	
Lead		6		6		5				5	
Colic		4		4	2	2				4	
Palsy		1		1		1				1	
Pareals		1		1	1					1	
Ammoniac Chloride		1		1		1				1	
Phosphorus			1	1					1	1	
ACIDS.											
Oxalic Acid			1	1	1					1	
VEGETABLE POISONS.											
Opium		1	1	2	1	1				2	
Opium Habit			1	1		1				1	
Chloral "			1	1							
Abuse of Alcohol (Alcoholismus) ..	3	51	12	63	33	16	3		18	64	
Atropia			1	1	1					1	
Stramonium			1	1	1					1	
Tobacco, abuse of		1		1		1				1	
Cantharides			1	1	1					1	
UNCLASSIFIED.											
Debility	4	28	64	92	52	38	2	1		93	
Diagnosis undetermined		21	18	39	6	4		15	11	36	
Infancy	1	9	7	16	13				1	14	
Ulcer cornea		1		1		1				1	
Ophthalmia neonatorum		1		1		1				1	
Otitis media		1	2	3	1	1				2	
Adenitis of elbow			1	1	1					1	
Abdominal Tumor		1	2	3				2		2	
Epistaxis		1		1		1				1	
Hæmorrhoids		2	1	3		2		1		3	
Marsanus			1	1							
Ulcer, leg		1	1	2		2				2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	160	1438	1224	2692	1257	935	106	37	370	2095	

MEDICAL DISEASES. — *Concluded.*

DISEASES.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1896.	
	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		Total.
Card	169	1488	1224	2692	1257	935	106	37	370	2695	167
.....		1		1		1				1	
.....			1	1		1				1	
.....		1		1			1			1	
.....		2		2	1	1				2	
.....		1				1				1	
.....			1	1							10
.....		1					1			1	
.....			2	2	2					2	
.....			1	1				1		1	
.....		8	8	11	8			3		11	
.....			1	1	1					1	
iliac Synchondrosis			1	1							1
.....			1	1		1				1	
.....		1		1					1	1	
.....		2		2		2				2	
Femur			1	1				1		1	
.....		1		1		1				1	
.....		1		1			1			1	
.....		1		1	1					1	
.....			1	1		1				1	
le			1	1	1					1	
.....		1		1	1					1	
.....		1		1			1			1	
.....			1	1			1			1	
.....		2	1	3	1	2				3	
sciss.....			1	1			1			1	
r other reasons.....		2	8	5	2			3		5	
.....	171	1507	1250	2757	1275	947	112	45	371	2750	178

SURGICAL DISEASES.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
GENERAL DISEASES.											
Diphtheria.....	1	32	23	55	5	17			31	53	3
Simple.....		14	7	21	9	10			1	30	1
Phlegmonous.....		7		7		5			2	7	
Diffuse inflammation of Cellular Tissue.....			2	2		1				1	1
Pyæmia.....		2		2					2	2	
Primary.....		1		1		1				1	
Secondary.....		1	3	3		3				3	1
Tertiary.....		1	3	5	8	6	1			7	2
Soft chancre.....		2		2		2				2	
Bubo (hard or suppurating).....		5		5		5				5	
Cancer.....			5	5		2		3		5	
Epithelial.....			7	7	2	5				7	
Sarcoma.....		1	5	5	10	5		2	3	10	
Of neck.....			1	1					1	1	
NON-MALIGNANT TUMORS.											
Adenoma.....		1		1	1					1	
Fatty.....		1	7	6	13	4	8		2	14	
Fibro-cystic.....			1	1		1				1	
Fibro-cellular.....			1	1					1	1	
Hæmatoma.....		1		1					2	2	
Lymphangioma.....			1	1		1				1	
Simple Cysts.....		1	1	2		1			1	2	
Cystoma-sarcoma.....			1	1		1				1	
Lupus Vulgaris.....		2		2		2				2	
DISEASES OF THE NERVES.											
Neuritis.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Paraplegia.....		1				1				1	
Neuritis Rheumatic.....			1	1		1				1	
Carried forward.....	7	94	61	155	21	80	1	7	44	153	8

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1886.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
ward	7	94	61	155	21	60	1	7	44	153	8
DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM.											
.....		1		1						1	1
.....			3	3		3				3	
.....		1		1		1				1	
ns.....		1		1	1					1	
OF THE EAR.											
oid Cells.....		4		4	2	2				4	
ous Bone			1	1	1					1	
.....		7	1	8	1	5				6	2
en.....				1	1	1				1	
.....		1		1		1				1	
.....		2		2		2				2	
OF THE NOSE.											
.....		6	2	8	3	5				8	
.....		1		1				1		1	
n.....		2	1	3		2				2	1
.....		2		2		2				2	
.....			1	1		1				1	
.....		1		1		1				1	
OF THE ARTERIES.											
.....			1	1		1				1	
.....			1	1							1
.....		1	1	2		2				2	
n.....			1	1		1				1	
OF THE VEINS.											
.....		4	4	8	1	6				7	1
.....		2		2		2				2	
THE ABSORBENTS.											
Glands.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Glands.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Glands.....		1		1	1	1				2	
ward	9	132	80	213	42	103	1	8	45	208	13

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	9	132	80	213	42	103	1	6	45	208	
Scrofulous Disease of Glands.....		2	6	8	2	6				8	
Cancer of Glands.....			1	1							
Adenoic Vegetations.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE LARYNX.											
Membranous Croup.....		21	20	41	3	1			37	41	
Edema of the Glottis.....		2		2		2				2	
DISEASES OF LIPS AND MOUTH.											
Hare-lip.....		2		2		2				2	
Stomatitis.....		1		1					1	1	
Cancer (Epithelial).....		2		2	2					2	
Diphtheritic Stomatitis.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Cervical Abscess.....			1	1		1				1	
Fistula in Cheek.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE JAWS.											
Cancer.....		2		2		2				2	
Alveolar Abscess.....		1	4	5		5				5	
Sarcoma.....		2	3	5		2		2	1	5	
DISEASES OF THE GUMS.											
Epulis.....			1	1				1		1	
DISEASES OF THE TONGUE.											
Cancer.....		3		3		2			1	3	
Tuberculosis.....		1		1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE FAUCES.											
Tonsillitis.....		1	4	5	2	5				7	
DISEASES OF THE PHARYNX AND SALIVARY GLANDS.											
Abscess.....		2		2		2				2	
DISEASES OF THE OESOPHAGUS.											
Stricture.....		2		2		1	1			2	
Cancer, Stomach.....		1	1	2			1		1	2	
DISEASES OF THE INTESTINES.											
Obstruction.....		4	4	8		4	1		3	8	
<i>Carried forward</i>	11	168	125	314	51	146	4	11	89	310	

SURGICAL DISEASES.—Continued.

DISEASES.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1890.	
	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1890.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	11	168	125	314	51	146	4	11	89	310	14
Hernia, Omental.....			1	1		1				1	
Inguinal.....		2	1	3		1		2		3	
Strangulated.....	1	14		14	2	5		1	4	12	3
Reducible.....	1	6		6		5		2		7	
Irreducible.....		3		3		2			1	3	
Strangulated.....		2	2	4		1		1	2	4	
Reducible.....			1	1		1				1	
Irreducible.....			1	1	1					1	
Umbilical.....			1	1		1				1	
Ventral.....			1	1		1				1	
Strangulated.....		1		1					1	1	
Peritonitis, Traumatic.....		2		2	2					2	
Cancer Intestines.....			1	1					1	1	
“ Omentum.....			1	1			1			1	
Valvulus.....		1		1					1	1	
Perityphitic Abscess.....		1		1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE RECTUM.											
Ulceration.....		4	3	7		6				6	1
Fistula in Ano.....	1	33	6	39	1	36				37	3
Hæmorrhoids.....			1	1					1	1	
Internal.....	1	16	7	23	4	19	1			24	
External.....		6	4	10	2	7				9	1
Rectal Polyp.....		1		1	1					1	
Ununited Sphincter Ani.....		1		1		1				1	
Ischio-rectal Abscess.....	4	11	3	14	1	16				17	1
Proctitis.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Fissure of the Anus.....		5	3	8		7				7	1
Prolapsus.....		2		2		2				2	
Stricture.....	1		3	3		3				3	1
Condyloma.....			2	2		2				2	
Cancer.....			2	2			1	1		2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	20	280	170	460	65	266	7	18	100	455	25

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.					Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31.	
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.		Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	20	280	170	460	65	266	7	18	100	455	2
DISEASE OF URINARY SYSTEM.											
DISEASE OF KIDNEY.											
Abscess (Perinephritic).....			2	2		1			1	2	
Pyelitis.....	1	3		3	1	3					4
Renal Calculus.....		2		2		1	1				2
Hæmaturia.....		5		5	1	3			1		5
Cancer of Kidney.....			1	1			1				1
Fract. Kidney.....	1				1						1
Pyonephrosis.....			2	2		1			1		2
DISEASES OF THE BLADDER.											
Cystitis.....	1	1	2	3		3	1				4
Extroversion.....	1					1					1
Calculus.....		3		3	1	1			1		3
Uric Acid.....		1		1		1					1
Triple Phosphate.....		2		2		1			1		2
Tumor.....		2		2		1	1				2
Retention of Urine.....		4		4	1	3					4
DISEASES OF THE PROSTATE GLAND.											
Chronic Enlargement.....	6	17		17		17	2	1	2	22	
Bubo D'Emble.....		3		3		3					3
GONORRHOEA AND ITS COMPLICATIONS.											
Gonorrhœa.....	1	4		4		5					5
Balanitis.....		1		1		1					1
Phimosis.....		10		10	1	9					10
Paraphimosis.....		7		7	2	5					7
Bubo.....	1	20	10	30	5	21			1		27
Epididymitis.....	1	14		14	4	11					15
Rheumatism.....		1		1							1
DISEASES OF THE MALE URETHRA.											
Organic.....	5	20		20	2	18		2	1	23	
Spasmodic.....		4		4	3	1					4
<i>Carried forward</i>	38	404	187	591	87	377	12	21	109	606	23

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Total.	Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1895.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.			
<i>Brought forward</i>	38	404	187	591	87	377	12	23	109	606	38	
Rupture.....		4		4		3			1	4		
Urinary Abscess.....		2		2					1	1	1	
Urinary Fistula.....	1	4		4		2		2		4	1	
Extravasation of Urine.....	1					1				1		
Calculus.....		1		1		1				1		
Periurethral Abscess.....		5		5	1	1				2	3	
DISEASES OF THE SCROTUM.												
Abscess.....		2		2	1	1				2		
Perineal Abscess.....		6		6		3	1		2	6		
DISEASES OF THE CORD.												
Hydrocele.....	1				1					1		
Varicocele.....	1	8		8	1	8				9		
DISEASES OF THE TUNICA VAGINALIS.												
Hydrocele.....		13		13		13				13		
DISEASES OF THE TESTICLE.												
Acute.....		9		9		9				9		
Epididymitis.....	1	1		1		2				2		
Scrofulous Disease.....		4		4	1	2		1		4		
Sarcoma.....		3		3		1		1		2	1	
Gumma.....		1		1		1				1		
DISEASES OF PENIS.												
Phimoosis.....		7		7	5	2				7		
Paraphimoosis.....		2		2	1	1				2		
Cancer.....		2		2		1		1		2		
Cong. Deformatory.....		1		1		1				1		
Papilloma.....		1		1		1				1		
DISEASES OF FEMALE ORGANS OF GENERATION.												
DISEASES OF OVARY.												
Complex Cystic Tumor.....			1	1		1				1		
Cancer.....			1	1					1	1		
Unilocular Cyst.....			3	3	1	1				1		
<i>Carried forward</i>	43	480	192	672	99	423	13	27	114	684	39	

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	43	480	192	672	99	423	13	27	114	684	
Abdominal Tumor.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF BROAD LIGAMENT.											
Salpingitis.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE WOMB.											
Fibrous Tumors.....			4	4	1	1		1		3	
Cancer.....			4	4				3		3	
Laceration Cervix.....			2	2		1		1		2	
DISEASES OF THE VAGINA.											
Cancer.....			1	1		1				1	
Caruncle.....			1	1		1				1	
Vesico-vaginal Fistula.....			3	3		1	1	1		3	
Recto-vaginal Fistula.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF THE VULVA.											
Inflammation of Labia.....			1	1		1				1	
Abscess.....			1	1	1					1	
Cyst of Labium.....			1	1		1				1	
Chancroids.....			1	1		1				1	
Adhesion L. Minora.....			1	1		1				1	
Lacerated Perineum.....			2	2		2				2	
DISEASES OF THE FEMALE BREAST.											
Chronic.....			1	1		1				1	
Abscess.....			1	1							
Cancer.....	1	18		18	6	10	1		1	18	
Scirrhus.....	1					1				1	
Non malignant Tumors.....			2	2	1	1				2	
Cysts.....			1	1		1				1	
DISEASES OF BONES.											
Periostitis.....	1	6	2	8	1	6		1		8	
Caries.....	3	6	9	15		13			2	16	
Necrosis.....		25	9	34	4	26		2		32	
Exostosis.....		2	1	3		3				3	
Genu Valgum.....		1		1		1				1	
<i>Carried forward</i>	49	538	243	781	113	500	15	36	117	89	

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886.	
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.		
Cardiac.....	49	538	243	781	113	500	15	36	117	789	49	
DISEASES OF JOINTS.												
.....	1	28	15	44	1	37	2	.....	.....	40	5
.....	2	9	13	22	1	22	.....	.....	.....	23	1
.....	3	6	10	16	.....	12	.....	1	1	14	5
.....	4	14	4	18	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	20	2
.....	.....	.....	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
.....	.....	3	4	7	.....	6	1	.....	.....	7	.....
Inflammation.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Arthritis, Knee.....	.....	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF THE SPINE.												
Osteoarthritis.....	.....	4	3	7	.....	2	.....	1	.....	3	4
Spinal Abscess.....	.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
.....	.....	7	2	9	.....	6	2	1	.....	9	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF TENDONS.												
.....	.....	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
.....	.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
.....	1	1	1	2	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
.....	.....	1	1	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....
DISEASES OF THE APPENDAGES OF THE CIRCULAR SYSTEM.												
.....	.....	2	2	4	1	2	.....	.....	1	4	.....
.....	1	4	4	8	1	7	.....	.....	.....	8	1
.....	.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....
DISEASES OF THE CELLULAR TISSUE.												
.....	2	57	23	80	16	52	1	5	74	8
.....	4	34	12	46	4	36	4	44	6
.....	2	2	1	1	1
Erysipelas.....	.....	3	1	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	3
Cardiac.....	67	723	342	1066	139	714	20	40	130	1051	90	

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	67	728	342	1066	189	714	20	4	130	1061	9
DISEASES OF CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.											
Erythema Nodosum		1		1	1					1	
Eczema.....	1	11	6	17	3	12	1	1		17	
Frostbite	1	12		12	2	9			1	12	
Ulcer	1	20	28	67	14	36			1	51	1
Boll		2		2		2				2	
Carbuncle		4	1	5	1	3				4	
Felon		2	6	8	1	6		1		8	
Senile Gangrene		5	1	6	1	2				6	
Scabies		1		1		1				1	
Ivy Poisoning		2		2		2				2	
Nævus.....			1	1		1				1	
Wen.....		6	1	7	1	5				6	
Condyloma			3	3	1	2				3	
Ingrown toe-nail		2	8	10	3	7				10	
Cicatrices		2	1	3	1	2				3	
Corns.....		2		2	1	1				2	
Eothyma.....			1	1							
Dactylitis		1		1							
Herpes Frontalis.....		1		1	1					1	
Hyperderosis		1		1	1					1	
Peoriasis.....		1		1	1					1	
Purpura Hæmorrhagica		2		2	1	1				2	
INJURIES.											
Burns	6	28	26	54	9	31	1	1	14	56	
Multiple Injuries.....		22	4	26		10	1		14	25	
Scalds	1	3	2	5	2	4				6	
Contusions.....		1	3	4		4				4	
Dog-bite		1		1	1					1	
Gunshot Wound.....	1	1		1		1			1	2	
Immersion		5	1	6	2	2			2	6	
<i>Carried forward</i>	78	881	435	1317	187	878	23	43	166	1286	12

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1896.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1896.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	78	861	435	1317	187	878	23	43	166	1285	121
LOCAL INJURIES.											
Contusion		4		4	1	3				4	
Scalp-wound; bone exposed	1	21	2	23	4	18			2	24	
Gunshot in skull.....		2		2					2	2	
Scalp-wound; bone not exposed	4	29	6	35	10	27			1	88	1
Concussion of the Brain		14	3	17	3	8			3	14	3
Fracture of the Vault of the Skull ..		1		1		1				1	
Fracture Simple, without depression,		1	1	2		2				2	
Compound, without depression.....	3		1	1	2	2				4	
Compound, with depression.....	1	13		13	1	8			5	14	
Fracture into frontal Sinus.....		1		1		1				1	
Fracture of the base of the Skull....	1	8		8		1			8	9	
Injuries of the Vessel		1		1					1	1	
INJURIES OF THE FACE.											
Contusion		3		3	1	2				3	
Wound	1	12	3	15	6	9				15	1
Fracture of Nose, Compound		1		1		1				1	
Fracture of the facial bones		7	1	8		6		1		7	1
Fracture of lower Jaw.....		6	1	7		5	1			6	1
Fracture of Jaw, Compound			1	1		1				1	
Fracture of Frontal Bones, Comp....		1		1					1	1	
INJURIES OF THE NECK.											
Wound, cut throat.....		6	1	7	3	2			2	7	
Fracture of laryngeal cartilage		3		3		2			1	3	
Bullet Wounds		1		1		1				1	
Wound of Ear.....		1		1	1					1	
Foreign bodies in the Oeophagus....		1		1	1					1	
INJURIES OF THE CHEST.											
Contusion			1	1		1				1	
Fracture of Ribs.....		35	3	38	1	34			1	36	2
Fracture of Ribs with injury of Lung,		2		2					2	2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	80	1055	450	1515	221	1013	24	44	195	1485	130

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital Dec. 31, 1886.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	89	1055	450	1515	221	1018	24	44	195	485	13
Wound of the Parietes.....		4		4	1	3				4	
Perforating Wound of the Chest		4	1	5	1	4				5	
Fract. Costal Cartilage		1		1		1				1	
INJURIES OF THE BACK.											
Contusion		11		11	4	7				11	
Sprain.....		4	3	7		7				7	
Concussion of Spine.....		1		1		1				1	
Fracture of Spine.....		1	6	8	9	2			7	9	
INJURIES OF THE ABDOMEN.											
Penetrating Wound of Parietes		1		1					1	1	
Wound of the Parietes.....		2		2	1	1				2	
Fracture of Kidney		1		1		1				1	
INJURIES OF THE PELVIS.											
Contusion		4	1	5		5				5	
Rupture of Urethra.....		1				1				1	
Rupture of Bladder.....		1		1				1		1	
Wound of Scrotum		2		2		2				2	
Fracture of Pelvis		1	3	4	1	2				3	
INJURIES OF THE UPPER EXTREMI- TIES.											
Contusion		1	5	5		6				6	
Sprain			1	1		1				1	
Wound		2	28	2	30	2	28	1		31	
Lacerated Wound of Hand.....		10	1	11	1	10				11	
Wound of Joint		1		1		1				1	
Foreign Bodies Imbedded.....			3	3		3				3	
Fracture of the Clavicle.....		10	2	12	2	9				11	
Fracture of the Scapula.....		3	1	4		2	1	1		4	
Fracture of the Humerus		1	27	4	31	2	28		1	31	
Fracture of the Humerus, Comp.....		1		1		1			1	2	
Fracture of the Forearm		12	4	16		13	2			15	
Fracture of the Forearm, Comp.		1	1	2		2				2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	96	1195	490	1686	236	1154	28	45	206	657	13

SURGICAL DISEASES. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital, Dec. 31, 1886.
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
ward.....	96	1195	490	1686	236	1154	23	45	206	657	136
.....		4	4	8		8				8	
of the Ulna.....		1		1	1					1	
Ulna.....		1		1		1				1	
ds.....		7		7		6			1	7	
Phalanges.....		2	7	7		9				9	
Phalanges, Comp. ..		9		9		8				8	1
.....		10		10		8			2	10	
ure.....		2		2		1		1		2	
the Sterno-clavicular		1	1	2		2				2	
the Acromio-clavicu-		2		2		1			1	2	
the Shoulder.....		7	8	15	1	12				13	2
the Elbow.....		1	1	2		2				2	
the Thumb.....		1				1				1	
the Thumb, Comp.....		3		3		3				3	
merus.....		1		1		1				1	
avicle.....			1	1				1		1	
neumatic.....		2		2		2				2	
THE LOWER EXTREM-											
ITIES.											
.....	2	20	8	28	8	24				27	3
.....	7	29	10	39	7	38				45	1
.....	1	29	1	30	5	19			2	26	5
nd of Foot.....		3		3	1	2				3	
nd of Thigh.....		5	2	7	1	6				7	
t.....		1		1		1				1	
d.....		1		1	1					1	
t.....			1	1		1				1	
Imbedded.....			3	3	1	2				3	
Femur.....	2	24	11	35	6	21		1		28	9
Femur, Comp.....	1	2		2	1	1			1	3	
Cervix Femoris.....	6	4	25	29	1	22	3		8	34	
ward.....	118	1371	566	1908	255	1356	31	48	221	1306	158

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DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Remaining in Hospital
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.	
<i>Brought forward</i>	118	1371	566	1908	255	1356	31	48	221	1300	
Fracture of the Patella.....		8		8		5			1	6	
Fracture of the Patella, Com.....		2		2		1			1	2	
Fracture of the Patella, Comp.....			1	1		1				1	
Fracture of the Leg, both bones.....	12	60	13	73	12	60			2	74	
Fracture of the Leg, Comp.	4	12	1	13	2	9			3	14	
Fracture of the Leg, Com.....	1	1		1	1	1				2	
Fracture of the Tibia alone	1	11		11	4	8				12	
Fracture of the Tibia alone, Comp...	1	3		3		3			1	4	
Fracture of the Fibula alone	4	37	10	47	9	38		1		48	
Fracture of the Fibula alone, Comp..		1		1		1				1	
Fracture of the Bones of the Foot ...		11		11		10				10	
Fracture of the Bones of the Foot, Comp.....	3	7	1	8	2	8			1	11	
Fracture of the Bones of the Foot, Com.	1				1					1	
Ununited Fracture.....		1	1	2		2				2	
Dislocation of the Hip		3		3	1	1	1			3	
Dislocation of the Patella.....		2		2	1	1				2	
Dislocation of the Knee.		1		1							
Dislocation of the Hip, cong. (single)			2	2		2				2	
Dislocation of the Hip, cong. (double)	1		1	1		2				2	
Fractured Astragalus.....		1		1		1				1	
Fractured Os calcis.....		7	1	8	2	6				8	
Dislocation of the Foot at the Ankle.		2		2		2				2	
Dislocation of the Foot at the Ankle, Compound.....			1	1		1				1	
Pott's Fracture.....		1		1		1				1	
Dislocation of the Metatarsus and Phalanges, Compound	1			1		1				1	
INJURIES NOT CLASSIFIED.											
Rupture of Muscle.....	1	1		1	1	1				2	
Rupture of Tendon		1		1		1				1	
Sinus in Thigh.....	1										
<i>Carried forward</i>	148	1666	599	2165	291	1582	32	49	230	2134	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS.

OPERATIONS.									REMARKS.	
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.		Total.
Adhesions broken up...	5	7	12	....	9	1	2	....	12	
Amputations —										
Of arm.....	1	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	
Of extra toe.....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Of forearm.....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Of fingers.....	82	8	86	2	82	....	....	1	85	Diphtheria.
Of foot.....	8	....	8	....	8	....	....	....	8	
Of hand.....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	Multiple injuries.
Of leg.....	7	1	8	2	4	....	1	1	8	Comp. fracture. Shock. Five hours.
Lisfranc.....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
At knee.....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	
Of metacarpus.....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Of penis.....	1	....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
At shoulder.....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	Shock. Two days.
Of thigh.....	2	....	2	1	....	....	....	1	2	Comp. Fracture. and day.
Artificial anus.....	1	....	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	Shock. Same night.
Aspiration —										
Cold abscess, buttock,	2	....	2	....	1	....	1	....	2	
Of bladder.....	8	....	8	....	2	....	....	1	8	Three days.
Exploratory.....	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Hernia.....	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	
Synovitis.....	2	1	3	....	3	....	....	....	3	
Circumcision.....	23	....	23	9	14	....	....	....	23	
Castration.....	5	....	5	1	3	1	....	....	5	
Curetted —										
Bullet wound.....	6	....	6	1	4	....	....	1	6	
Fistula cheek.....	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Scrofulous Joints.....	....	1	1	....	....	....	....	1	1	Pulmonary disease Thrombosis femoral and iliac veins. Bolsism pulmonary artery.
Deviated septum nasal...	....	1	1	....	....	....	1	....	1	
Enucleations of globe...	8	....	8	....	8	....	....	....	8	
Excisions —										
Of ankle.....	....	1	1	....	1	....	....	....	1	
Condylomata.....	....	4	4	....	4	....	....	....	4	
<i>Carried forward...</i>	104	21	125	17	90	2	7	9	135	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Continued.*

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
ward...	104	21	125	17	90	2	7	9	135	
.....	1	1	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	2	One month after injury.
.....	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	
.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Comp. fracture. 8 days.
.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Shock. On table.
.....	.....	2	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
.....	1	9	10	3	7	.....	.....	.....	10	
.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
removed,	1	7	8	2	6	.....	.....	.....	8	
.....	9	1	10	1	9	.....	.....	.....	10	
.....	1	1	2	.....	1	1	.....	.....	2	
.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
.....	14	4	18	6	1	.....	2	7	16	1 seven days; 1 nine days; 1 artificial anus; 1 resection bowels, peritonitis.
.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Chr. nephritis. 3 days.
.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
.....	5	.....	5	.....	4	.....	1	.....	5	
ation....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
.....	5	.....	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	5	
olic....	5	.....	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	5	
.....	4	.....	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	4	
ar.....	2	3	5	.....	4	.....	1	.....	5	
.....	1	2	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	
.....	.....	2	2	.....	1	.....	1	.....	2	
k.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
al, inf..	3	.....	3	.....	2	.....	.....	1	3	Pyæmia. 12 days.
sup...	8	2	10	.....	9	.....	1	.....	10	
.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
wall....	3	1	4	.....	3	.....	.....	1	4	Exhaustion. 4 weeks.
.....	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
.....	2	1	3	.....	2	.....	1	.....	3	
ward...	183	59	242	30	171	3	14	22	240	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Continued.*

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
<i>Brought forward...</i>	188	60	242	30	171	8	14	22	240	
Abscess, hand.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ Ischio-rectal ..	12	2	14	1	11	.....	2	.....	14	
“ jaw	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ knee .....	.....	3	3	.....	1	.....	2	.....	3	
“ leg .....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ mastoid	6	.....	6	1	4	.....	.....	.....	6	
“ mediastival....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ pelvic	1	1	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	2	
“ periarticular ..	7	1	8	.....	6	.....	2	.....	8	1 Supra-pubic operation. 1 Pelvic peritonitis.
“ perineal	8	.....	8	.....	4	.....	1	3	8	
“ perinephritic ..	.....	2	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
“ pentyphlitic ...	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ psoas	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	
“ scalp	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ scrotum	3	.....	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	
“ side	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ sub-pectoral...	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	
“ thigh	7	1	8	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	8	
“ vulva .....	.....	2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	
“ bubo	28	6	29	17	8	.....	4	.....	29	
“ buritis	3	4	7	.....	5	1	.....	1	7	Failure. 7 days.
“ carbuncle	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ cellulitis.....	38	16	49	4	38	.....	2	5	49	
“ cold, lumbar ..	6	1	7	.....	5	2	.....	.....	7	
“ cold, thigh.....	2	3	5	.....	3	1	1	.....	5	
“ peri-urethral ..	3	.....	3	.....	2	.....	1	.....	3	
Gumma .....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Hæmatoma	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Leukæmia. Same d
Phlebitis	1	2	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	
Synovitis (Tarsus) ...	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Intubation	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	
Lacerated cervix .....	.....	2	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
“ perineum.....	.....	3	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	
<i>Carried forward ..</i>	809	121	410	57	279	7	31	34	418	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Continued.*

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
<i>Brought forward ..</i>	309	121	410	57	279	7	31	34	418	
Laparotomy —										
In general.....	3	2	5	.....	1	.....	.....	4	5	1 not relieved. Cancer of kidney. 1 died 2d day. Strangulated hernia. 1 died 2d day. Intest. obstruction. Volvulus. 1 died 1 month. Cancer stomach. 1 cancer.
Ovarian cyst.....	.....	4	4	1	2	.....	1	.....	4	
Peritoneal adhesion ..	1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	
Ligation —										
Aneurism of ear	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Brachial	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Nævus .....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Radial	2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
Subclavian	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Temporal .....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Varicocele.....	8	.....	8	.....	8	.....	.....	.....	8	
Varicose veins	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Lithotomy (suprapubic)	2	.....	2	.....	1	.....	.....	1	2	Pelvic abscess; 24 days. Shock; same day.
Lithotrity.....	3	.....	3	.....	2	.....	.....	1	3	Shock; same day.
Lumbar colotomy .....	.....	2	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	For cancer pelvis.
Mastotomy	4	.....	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	4	
Nailing olecranon	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Noses plugged	2	.....	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	
Necrosis: —										
Of femur .....	.....	2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	
" humerus.....	4	2	6	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	6	
" lower jaw	3	2	5	.....	5	.....	.....	.....	5	
" metacarpus.....	1	2	3	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	
" metatarsus.....	4	.....	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	4	
" nasal bones.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
" olecranon.....	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
" os calcis .....	.....	2	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	
" rib	1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
" scapula .....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
<i>Carried forward ..</i>	354	132	476	61	334	7	32	40	484	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Continued.*

OPERATIONS.	Male.	Female.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
<i>Brought forward ..</i>	354	142	476	61	334	7	32	40	484	
Of skull	2	2	4	2	4				2	
“ tarsus	2	2	4	4	4				4	
“ tibia.....	3	2	5	4	4		1		5	
“ ulna.....	1		1	1	1				1	
Nephrectomy.....	1		1	1	1				1	
Osteotomy —										
Gene valgum	1		1	1					1	
Paraphimosis	6		6	2	4				6	
Penis (congen. deformity).....	1		1	1	1				1	
Perineal section.....	3		3				1	2	3	1 supra-pubic. 18 days.
Plastic operations —										
Cicatrix, neck.....	2		2	2	2				2	
Cicatrix (painful)		1	1	1					1	
Epithelioma, face	1		1	1	1				1	
“ nose.....		2	2	2	2				2	
Skin grafting	3		3	1	2				3	
Soft palate	1	1	2	1	1				2	
Syndactylism		1	1	1	1				1	
Puncture of Kidney	1		1	1					1	
Pyo nephrosis.....		1	1					1	1	Pyemia; 2 months.
Rectum —										
Fissure out.....	2	1	3	3	3				3	
“ dilated.....	3	1	4	4	4				4	
Fistula cut	25	5	30	26	26		4		30	
Hemorrhoids cut	3		3	1	2				3	
“ cauterized	6	3	9	5	8		1		9	
“ injected ..	2		2	2	2				2	
“ ligated ...	12	5	17	1	18	3			17	
Polyp.....	1		1	1					1	
Prolapse	2		2	2	2				2	
Stricture dilated.....		1	1	1	1				1	
Ulcers cauterized.....	4	3	7	7	7				7	
Recto-vaginal fistula.....		3	3	3	3				3	
<i>Carried forward....</i>	442	174	596	76	426	10	39	43	604	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Continued.*

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
<i>Brought forward</i> ..	442	174	596	76	426	10	30	43	604	
Reduction dislocations—										
Ankle.....	3		3		3				3	
Astragalus	1		1					1	1	Delirium tremens; 4 days.
Elbow	6	1	7		7				7	
Hip	2		2		2				2	
Patella.....	2		2	1	1				2	
Met. phal. joint.....	1		1		1				1	
Shoulder.....	7	6	13	1	11		1		13	
Attempt, shoulder ...		1	1		1				1	
Thumb	1	1	2		2				2	
Refracture ulna	1		1		1				1	
" femur	1		1				1		1	
Salivary fistula.....	1		1	1					1	
Scarifications —										
Oedema glottis.....	1		1		1				1	
Septum nasal removed,	1		1		1				1	
Spermatocoele tapped ...	1		1		1	1			1	
Stricture œsoph. probang.....	1		1		1				1	
Sutured Wounds—										
Body	2		2		2				2	
Head	16	4	20	8	9	1	2		20	
Upper extrem.....	11		11		10		1		11	
Lower "	20	3	23	5	13		3	2	23	One multiple injuries. One delirium tremens; 4 days.
Scalp	48	6	54	11	34		5	4	54	Two fracture base skull. One multiple injuries. One diphtheria.
Tenotomy —										
Hammer toe	1		1			1			1	
T. equinus.....		2	2		1		1		2	
T. varus		2	2		2				2	
Toes.....		1	1		1				1	
<i>Carried forward</i> ...	572	199	751	108	531	13	53	50	759	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS.—Continued.

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
<i>Brought forward..</i>	572	199	751	103	531	13	53	50	759	
Tracheotomy —										
For diphtheria	46	42	88	5	17	.....	1	65	88	On table
										Obstruction low down
										1 day
										Obstruction low down
										2 days
										Obstruction low down
										3 days
										Obstruction low down
										4 days
										Obstruction low down
										5 days
										Obstruction low down
										6 days
										Obstruction low down
										8 days
										Obstruction low down
										9 days
										General failure, 4
										weeks.....
										Secondary attack, 2
										weeks.....
										General infection, 1
										day
										General infection, 5
										days
										General infection, 4
										days
										General infection, 6
										days.....
										General infection, 8
										days
For œdema glottis ...	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Purulent bronchitis
“ sarcoma neck	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	frost-bite.
Transfusion.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	1	Heart failure; 9 days.
Trephine —										Cut-throat; same night
Skull	6	.....	6	.....	1	.....	.....	5	6	One bullet wound, 2 days
										One comp. depress
										fract., 3 days.
										One comp. depress
										fract., 4 days.
										One comp. depress
										fract., 12 days.
Sternum	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	1	
Tumors —										
Adenoid vegetations .	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
Aural polyp.....	2	1	3	1	2	.....	.....	.....	3	
Cancer axilla.....	.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ breast .....	.....	21	21	6	12	2	.....	1	21	Pleurisy, secondary no
“ cervix uteri.....	.....	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2	ules, liver, etc.
“ submax. gland... 1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	
“ tongue	3	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	1	3	Broncho pneumonia,
										days.
<i>Carried forward...</i>	634	267	889	117	568	15	55	125	889	

SURGICAL OPERATIONS. — *Concluded.*

OPERATIONS.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	In Hospital.	Died.	Total.	REMARKS.
ward ...	334	267	601	117	568	15	55	125	697	
a.....		1	1		1				1	
m.....		1	1		1				1	
a scalp..		1	1		1				1	
face.....	1		1	1					1	
hip.....	6		6	1	5				6	
neck.....	1		1	1					1	
.....	2	1	3		3				3	
rist.....		1	1		1				1	
a.....		2	2		1	1			2	
s.....		2	2		1		1		2	
reast.....		1	1		1				1	
.....	8	5	13	3	10				13	
is.....	2		2		2				2	
ma.....		2	2		1		1		2	
.....	1		1		1				1	
nis.....	1		1		1				1	
.....	3	2	5		5				5	
e.....		1	1					1	1	Pyæmia, 3 weeks.
.....	2		2		2				2	
h.....	1		1					1	1	Pyæmia, 6 days.
.....	9	5	14	3	11				14	
ands.....	6	9	15	3	12				15	
and.....		1	1		1				1	
.....	1	1	2		2				2	
.....	7	1	8	1	6		1		8	
ions —										
ted.....	5		5		5				5	
throtomy	4		4		2	1	1		4	
"	4		4		2		1	1	4	Septic absorption.
uretted.	1		1		1				1	
(ific).....	1		1		1				1	
.....	1		1		1				1	Meningeal hæmorrhage.
stula.....		2	2		2				2	
pus.....	1		1				1		1	
.....	1		1		1				1	
	703	306	1009	130	652	17	61	128	1007	

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

MEDICAL.

IN CHARGE OF DRs. ROTCH (F. H.), WILLIAMS, AND BUCKINGHAM.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
GENERAL DISEASES.			
A.			
Chicken Pox.....	1	.....	1
Typhoid fever.....	3	8	6
Febricula.....	4	.....	4
Intermittent fever.....	7	5	12
Choleraic Diarrhoea.....	7	4	11
Cholera Infantum.....	1	.....	1
Diphtheria.....	1	1	2
Diphtheritic paralysis.....	.....	1	1
Whooping Cough.....	7	6	13
Erysipelas.....	1	2	3
B.			
Acute rheumatism.....	3	2	5
Subacute rheumatism.....	32	21	53
Synovial rheumatism.....	1	.....	1
Muscular rheumatism.....	10	7	17
Chronic rheumatism.....	42	40	82
Syphilis.....	12	13	25
Scrofula.....	1	.....	1
Tubercular meningitis.....	.....	1	1
Phthisis pulmonalis.....	161	127	288
Hæmoptysis.....	7	7	14
Rachitis.....	2	1	3
<i>Carried forward</i>	303	241	544

ICAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
ward.....	308	241	549
.....	2	.....	2
.....	.....	1	1
.....	106	193	299
.....	.....	1	1
.....	1	.....	1
DISEASES OF THE NERVES.			
.....	1	.....	1
ALL DISEASES OF NERVOUS SYSTEM.			
.....	5	1	6
.....	3	5	8
.....	.....	4	4
..... (eral)	11	8	19
..... (alouroux)	1	.....	1
.....	6	3	9
.....	24	17	41
.....	14	6	20
.....	7	4	11
..... (uralgia)	1	3	4
.....	7	3	10
.....	5	1	6
.....	2	.....	2
.....	7	8	15
DISEASES OF INTELLECT.			
.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	1	1
DISEASES OF THE CIRCULATORY SYSTEM.			
OF THE HEART AND ITS MEMBRANES.			
.....	9	6	15
.....	4	2	6
.....	22	23	45
..... (ltrial) .....	.....	2	2
.....	4	13	17
.....	1	.....	1
ward	546	547	1,093

MEDICAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	546	547	1,093
Fatty degeneration	1	.....	1
Angina pectoris	2	.....	2
Cardiac: variety undetermined	10	7	17
DISEASES OF LARYNX.			
Acute .....	.....	1	1
Cough	4	4	8
DISEASES OF TRACHEA AND BRONCHI.			
Bronchitis	106	75	181
Chronic	3	.....	3
Asthma	7	5	12
DISEASES OF THE LUNG.			
Pneumonia.....	5	3	8
Edema	1	.....	1
Emphysema.....	4	.....	4
Acute pneumonic phthisis.....	1	.....	1
Chronic pneumonic phthisis.....	5	1	6
Atelectasis .....	.....	1	1
DISEASES OF THE PLEURA.			
Pleurisy	26	10	36
Chronic pleurisy	1	6	7
DISEASES OF THE DIGESTIVE SYSTEM.			
Stomatitis.....	2	7	9
DISEASES OF THE TEETH, GUMS, ETC.			
Teething	1	2	3
DISEASES OF THE FAUCES AND PALATE.			
Tonsillitis.....	7	4	11
Enlarged Tonsils.....	1	.....	1
DISEASES OF THE PHARYNX.			
Pharyngitis	23	7	30
DISEASES OF THE STOMACH.			
Gastritis	2	3	5
Chronic ulcer .....	.....	1	1
Dyspepsia.....	85	129	214
<i>Carried forward</i>	843	713	1,456

MEDICAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	1,020	921	1,941
DISEASES OF THE CUTANEOUS SYSTEM.			
Urticaria.....	1	3	4
Eczema.....	.....	1	1
Pityriasis.....	1	.....	1
Zoster.....	1	.....	1
Pruritus.....	1	1	2
POISONS. METALS AND THEIR SALTS.			
Mercury.....	1	.....	1
Lead.....	4	.....	4
Colic.....	5	.....	5
VEGETABLE POISONS.			
Opium Habit.....	.....	1	1
Abuse of Alcohol (Alcoholismus).....	15	.....	15
Ivy (Rhus tox).....	.....	1	1
Tobacco, abuse of.....	8	.....	8
Tea.....	12	22	34
Coffee.....	.....	1	1
UNCLASSIFIED.			
Debility.....	113	186	299
Diagnosis undetermined.....	63	69	132
Inanition.....	.....	1	1
Hæmoptysis.....	.....	1	1
Cough.....	.....	1	1
Bronchocele.....	2	1	3
Enlarged Glands.....	1	1	2
Malingering.....	1	.....	1
No Disease.....	6	8	14
Parasitic (Intestinal).....	9	8	17
Vulval Cyst.....	.....	1	1
Exophthalmic Goitre.....	.....	1	1
Hæmatemesis.....	2	.....	2
Cephalhæmaturia.....	.....	1	1
Malignant Disease.....	1	.....	1
<i>Carried forward</i>	1,267	1,280	2,547

MEDICAL OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT. — *Concluded.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
Board.....	1,267	1,280	2,547
DATA FOR OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.			
Surgical Department.....	20	10	30
in "	6	7	13
e "	1	1	2
r "	3	1	4
roat "	14	8	22
rvous " .....	.....	4	4
omen's " .....	.....	26	26
perintendent for admission.....	45	42	87
to pay.....	1	2	3
for admission.....	6	4	10
al.....	1,373	1,385	2,757

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

SURGICAL.

IN CHARGE OF DRS. BURRELL, WATSON, AND CUSHING.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

<i>General Diseases.</i>		<i>Brought forward</i>
Erysipelas	6	<i>Diseases of the Ear.</i>
Simple	4	Malformations
Phlegmduous	4	Cyst
Acute œdema of hand	4	Foreign body
Chronic oste arthritis	2	Abscess of ear
Syphilis	23	<i>Diseases of the Nose.</i>
Primary	5	Epistaxis
Secondary	8	Foreign bodies
Tertiary	2	<i>Diseases of the Arteries.</i>
Hard chancre	2	Hemorrhage
Soft chancre	21	Angioma
Bubo (hard or suppurating)	12	<i>Diseases of the Veins.</i>
Syphilophobia	1	Phlebitis
Chancroid	16	Adhesive
Cancer	4	Phlegmasia dolens
Epithelial	8	Varicose veins
Sarcoma	1	Nævus
<i>Non-Malignant Tumors.</i>		<i>Diseases of the Absorbents.</i>
Fatty	7	Inflammation of lymphatics
Hæmatoma	2	Inflammation of glands
Papilloma	5	Suppuration of glands
Unclassified tumors	5	Hypertrophy of glands
Simple cysts	2	Scrofulous disease of glands
Lupus	2	Leucocythemia
Rodent ulcer	1	<i>Diseases of Ductless Glands.</i>
Rickets	2	Bronchocele
<i>Diseases of the Brain and its Membranes.</i>		<i>Diseases of Lips and Mouth.</i>
Hydrocephalus	2	Hare-lip
<i>Diseases of the Nerves.</i>		Stomatitis
Neuritis	1	Cancer (Epithelial)
Paralysis	7	Fissure
<i>Functional Diseases of Nervous System.</i>		Ulceration
Neuralgia	28	Cyst
Irritable stump	8	Malformation
Lead poisoning	1	
Alcoholism	1	
Spasmodic torticollis	2	
<i>Carried forward</i>	189	<i>Carried forward</i>

<i>Brought forward</i>	838
<i>Diseases of the Vagina.</i>	
Vaginitis	1
<i>Diseases of the Vulva.</i>	
Abscess	2
Atresia vulvæ	1
Vascular tumor of meatus.....	1
Œdema of leg	1
<i>Diseases of the Female Breast.</i>	
Inflammation	
Acute	8
Chronic	
Amputation	2
Abscess	8
Cancer	
Scirrhus	2
Non-malignant tumor.....	2
Cysts	1
<i>Diseases of Bones.</i>	
Periostitis	84
Inflamed callus	1
Sinus in side	1
Exorboris	1
Caries	7
Necrosis	81
<i>Diseases of Joints.</i>	
Synovitis	48
Acute	20
Chronic	29
Pulpy degeneration	7
Scrofulous disease	10
Morbus coxæ	6
Rheumatic arthritis.....	12
Ankylosis	7
Relaxation of Ligaments	1
Hysteria	2
Poplital abscess	1
<i>Diseases of the Spine.</i>	
Caries and necrosis	4
Psoas and lumbar abscess	2
Angular curvature	3
Lateral curvature	8
<i>Diseases of Tendons.</i>	
Inflammation	10
Palmae abscess	7
Club-foot	1
Talipes valgus	1
Talipes equinus	1
Talipes equino-varus	2
Pes planus	2
Bow legs	1
Wry neck	1
<i>Carried forward</i>	1,018

<i>Brought forward</i>	1
<i>Diseases of the Appendages of Muscular System.</i>	
Enlarged bursa	
Bunion	
Ganglion	
Bursitis	
Bursal abscess	
<i>Diseases of the Cellular Tissue.</i>	
Cellulitis	
Abscess	
Sphacelus	
Phlegmonous erysipelas	
Carbuncle	
<i>Diseases of Cutaneous System.</i>	
Eczema	
Frost-bite	
Ulcer	
Boil	
Carbuncle	
Onychia	
Felon	
Elephantiasis	
Paronychia	
Nævus	
Wen	
Ingrown toe-nail	
Cicatrices	
Corns	
Chill-blain	
Ivy poisoning	
Dactylitis	
Herpes	
Urticaria	
Purpura	
Callus	
<i>Injuries.</i>	
Burns	
Contusions	
Gunshot wound	
Old amputations	
<i>Local Injuries.</i>	
Of the head	
Abscess of head	
Conjunctivitis	
Contusion	
Cephalæmatoma	
Scalp-wound; bone exposed....	
Ulcers of scalp	
Scalp-wound; bone not exposed,	
Concussion of the brain	
Fracture of the vault of the	
skull	
Fracture simple, without depres-	
sion	
<i>Carried forward</i>	2

Brought forward 2,123

Injuries of the Face.

..... 17
 96
 Bodies in the nose 1
 of face 5
 Bodies in the eye 3
 Bodies in the soft parts 2
 of the facial bones 4
 of lower jaw 8
 of jaw 1
 8

Injuries of the Neck.

of soft parts 2
 of neck 14
 Bodies in the œsophagus 4

Injuries of the Chest.

..... 60
 of ribs 55
 of the parietes 1
 1
 of strain 1

Injuries of the Back.

..... 12
 22
 2
 and dislocation of 1

Injuries of the Abdomen.

..... 1
 of the parietes with 1
 of viscera 2

Injuries of the Pelvis.

..... 5
 of female perineum 1
 of perineum 1
 abscess 6
 of penis 1
 of 1

Injuries of the Upper Extremities.

..... 217
 123
 585
 wound of hand 5
 to shoulder 1
 of joint 5
 Bodies imbedded 26
 of epiphyses 1
 of fracture 3
 9

Brought forward 3,481

Brought forward 3,481

Fracture of the clavicle 60
 " " scapula 11
 " " humerus 43
 " " forearm 78
 " " comp. 2
 Colles' fracture 60
 Fracture of ulna 3
 " " radius 14
 Fissure radius 2
 Fracture of the carpus 77
 Metacarpus or phalange 4
 " " comp. 11
 Dislocation of the acromioclavicular joint 3
 Dislocation of the shoulder 16
 " " comp. 5
 Dislocation of the elbow 5
 " " comp. 5
 " " Radial head 2
 Dislocation of the wrist and carpus 2
 Dislocation of the thumb 1
 " " phalanges 11
 Axillary abscess 5
 Amputation of thumb 2
 Amputation of fingers 12
 Tight ring 2
 Bites of animals 29

Injuries of the Lower Extremities.

Contusion 91
 Sprain 210
 Wound 83
 Lacerated wound of foot 2
 Wound of joint 1
 Œdema of ankle 4
 Foreign bodies imbedded 6
 Fracture of the femur 8
 " " cervix femoris 1
 " " patella 6
 Rupture of internal lateral ligament 1
 Fracture of the leg, both bones 33
 " " tibia, alone 11
 " " fibula, alone 13
 " " bones of the foot 12
 Fracture of the semilunar cartilage 1
 Dislocation of the foot at the ankle 1
 Dislocation of the metatarsus and phalanges 2
 Resection of metatarsal bone 1
 Hypertrophy of toe-nail 1

Injuries not Classified.

Rupture of muscle 3
 Rupture of tendon 8

Carried forward 4,390

<i>Brought forward</i>	4,890
Rheumatism	41
Abscess of hip.	1
Foreign substances in the cellular tissue.....	0
Debility	2
Refused treatment	1
Abscess of buttock.....	1
No disease	14
No diagnosis	327
Referred to Lying-in Hospital..	1
Supt. for admission	332
<i>Carried forward</i>	<u>5,160</u>

<i>Brought forward</i>	5,160
Women's department.....	18
Skin "	63
Throat "	19
Nervous "	4
Eye "	0
Ear "	0
Children's Hospital.....	50
Dental School.....	11
Boston Dispensary.....	0
Visiting Surgeon	8

5,475

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE EYE.

CARGE OF DRs. (H. W.) WILLIAMS AND WADSWORTH.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.						Total.	Remaining in Hospital Jan. 1, 1887.	
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.			
LENS.													
.....	1	5	4	9	8	1	.....	1	.....	10	.....	
.....		3	.....	3	1	2	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	
.....		2	6	8	7	1	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	
.....		2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	
.....		2	1	3	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	
.....		.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		4	2	6	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	
.....		3	.....	3	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2	1	
.....		1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		2	8	10	5	4	.....	.....	.....	9	1	
.....		1	.....	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		.....	1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		2	.....	2	.....	2	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	
.....		6	3	9	4	5	.....	.....	.....	9	.....	
.....		.....	3	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	
.....		1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	
.....		4	.....	4	.....	4	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	
.....		1	30	29	68	34	32	..	1	..	67	2	

DISEASES OF THE EYE.—*Concluded.*

DISEASES.	In Hospital Jan. 1, 1886.	ADMITTED.			DISCHARGED.					
		Males.	Females.	Total.	Well.	Relieved.	Not Relieved.	Not Treated.	Died.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	1	29	29	68	34	32	.....	1	.....	67
LIDS.										
Epithelioma.....		1	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Entropion.....		1	3	4	1	3	.....	.....	.....	4
Ectropion.....		1	.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Cyst at inner canthus.....		1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
ORBIT.										
Abscess of frontal sinus.....		1	1	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
NERVES AND MUSCLES.										
Convergent strabismus.....		2	2	2	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
Divergent strabismus.....		1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
IRITIS, CILIARY BODY AND CHOROID.										
Iritis.....		1	.....	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	1
" rheumatic.....		1	1	1	1	1	.....	.....	.....	2
" syphilitic.....		3	3	2	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	3
Glaucoma.....		2	2	1	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	2
MISCELLANEOUS.										
No disease.....		1	1	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	1
Grand Total	2	44	43	87	43	41	1	2	.....	87

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE EYE.

CHARGE OF DRs. (H. W.) WILLIAMS AND WADSWORTH.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
CONJUNCTIVA.			
catarrhal.....	208	275	483
phlyctenular.....	35	61	96
blennorrhœal.....	.....	1	1
gonorrhœal.....	1	.....	1
traumatic.....	3	1	4
neonatorum.....	1	.....	1
.....	10	16	26
.....	2	2	4
.....	3	.....	8
.....	.....	1	1
.....	1	2	3
.....	5	.....	5
.....	1	.....	1
conjunctivitis.....	2	1	3
CORNEA AND SCLEROTIC.			
.....	7	8	15
stifial.....	4	5	9
ctenular.....	23	44	67
natic.....	1	.....	1
.....	25	33	58
.....	.....	1	1
.....	15	30	45
coma.....	4	8	12
.....	4	.....	4
.....	2	.....	2
.....	11	2	13
.....	3	3	6
<i>forward.....</i>	371	494	870

DISEASES OF THE EYE. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	371	404	870
Sclero-keratitis.....	.....	1	1
Epi-scleritis.....	.....	3	3
Foreign bodies.....	42	9	51
Kerato-Iritis.....	.....	1	1
Herpes, corneae.....	3	.....	3
Abrasion of cornea.....	4	4	8
Deep infiltration of cornea.....	1	.....	1
Hypopyon.....	.....	1	1
VITREOUS.			
Floating opacities.....	2	10	12
Musca volitantes (physiological).....	.....	1	1
LENS.			
Cataract.....	23	29	51
" traumatic.....	6	.....	6
" capsular.....	.....	1	1
" posterior cortical.....	1	.....	1
" congenital.....	1	.....	1
Dislocation.....	1	3	4
Aphakia.....	1	2	3
GLOBE.			
Panophthalmitis.....	1	.....	1
Phthisis bulba.....	1	.....	1
Disorganization from injury.....	1	.....	1
REFRACTION AND ACCOMMODATION.			
Myopia.....	16	63	79
Hypermetropia.....	23	61	83
Anisometropia.....	.....	1	1
Astigmatism.....	14	28	42
Presbyopia.....	9	33	42
Asthenopia.....	6	31	37
Parasits of accommodation.....	.....	1	1
LACHRYMAL APPARATUS.			
Blennorrhoea of sac.....	1	3	4
Abscess of sac.....	2	3	5
Fistula of sac.....	1	.....	1
<i>Carried forward</i>	528	753	1,286

DISEASES OF THE EYE. — *Continued.*

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
ard.....	628	768	1,396
duct.....	4	13	17
.....	1	.....	1
.....	1	.....	1
LIDS.			
.....	34	52	86
.....	6	8	14
.....	.....	5	5
.....	1	1	2
.....	1	3	4
.....	5	12	17
.....	3	.....	3
.....	2	2	4
.....	3	3	6
.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	1	1
ORBIT.			
.....	.....	1	1
NERVES AND MUSCLES.			
mus.....	10	12	22
mus.....	2	4	6
recti internal.....	6	12	18
pair.....	1	.....	1
pair.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	1	1
.....	.....	2	2
.....	.....	1	1
.....	2	1	3
.....	.....	1	1
.....	3	.....	3
ti external.....	.....	1	1
.....	1	1	2
LACRYMARY BODY, AND CHOROID.			
.....	12	10	22
ard.....	628	908	1,520

DISEASES OF THE EYE. — *Concluded.*

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	626	903	1,529
Iritis, traumatic.....	.....	1	1
“ rheumatic.....	1	.....	1
“ syphilitic.....	4	7	11
Posterior synechiae.....	1	1	2
Occlusion of pupil.....	1	1	2
Irido-dialysis.....	1	.....	1
Irido-choroiditis.....	2	1	3
Cyclitis.....	.....	2	2
Choroiditis.....	1	3	4
Sclero-choroiditis, posterior.....	3	3	6
Coloboma of choroid.....	1	.....	1
Sarcoma of choroid.....	1	.....	1
Glaucoma.....	4	5	9
Anterior synechiae.....	3	1	4
Hernia of iris.....	1	.....	1
RETINA AND OPTIC NERVE.			
Retinitis.....	2	2	4
“ pigmentosa.....	1	2	3
“ Bright's.....	.....	1	1
Separation of retina.....	3	.....	3
Neuro-retinitis.....	.....	1	1
Neuritis.....	1	1	2
Atrophy of optic nerve.....	9	10	19
Amblyopia.....	7	7	14
“ ex abusu.....	6	.....	6
Thrombosis of retinal artery.....	.....	2	2
MISCELLANEOUS.			
No diagnosis.....	22	32	54
Referred to res. physician.....	.....	.....	.....
“ surgical department.....	.....	1	1
“ medical “.....	1	1	2
“ ear “.....	1	.....	1
“ Eye and Ear Infirmary.....	1	1	2
Grand total	704	969	1,673

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE SKIN.

CHARGE OF DRS. WIGGLESWORTH AND TILDEN.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
DISEASES OF THE SEBACEOUS GLANDS.			
.....	6	6	12
.....	3	15	18
.....	2	2	4
DISEASES OF THE SWEAT GLANDS.			
.....	2	.....	2
INFLAMMATIONS.			
Erysipelatous—			
..... simplex.....	3	5	8
..... multiforme.....	1	1	2
..... furfuracea.....	1	.....	1
..... rodensum.....	1	.....	1
..... Intertrigo.....	3	1	4
.....	21	20	41
.....	1	3	4
Eczema—			
..... acutissimum.....	3	5	8
..... nummularis.....	1	.....	1
..... zoster.....	7	1	8
.....	.....	2	2
..... pompholyx.....	.....	1	1
.....	1	.....	1
..... trochiloides.....	3	.....	3
.....	21	35	56
..... nonparietalis.....	3	.....	3
.....	13	13	26
.....	96	110	206

DISEASES OF THE SKIN.—*Continued.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	96	110	206
Impetigo contagiosa.....	2	5	7
Ecthyma.....	.....	1	1
F. Squamous —			
Psoriasis.....	9	22	31
Pityriasis mac. et circ.....	.....	1	1
G. Phlegmonous —			
Abscess.....	2	1	3
Furunculosis.....	8	5	13
H. Ulcerative—			
Ulcers.....	3	3	6
Onychia.....	.....	4	4
I. Multiform —			
Eczema acute.....	6	6	12
" chronic.....	125	118	243
Dermatitis.....	16	10	26
" traumatica.....	3	.....	3
" venenata.....	13	2	15
" medicamentosa.....	2	.....	2
" calorica.....	2	.....	2
HÆMORRHAGES.			
Purpura.....	1	1	2
" rheumatica.....	1	.....	1
HYPERTROPHIES.			
1. Of Epidermis and Papillæ —			
Callositas.....	1	.....	1
Verrucæ.....	5	3	8
Xerosis.....	1	2	3
Ichthyosis.....	1	.....	1
Keratoris senilis.....	1	.....	1
2. Of Connective tissue —			
Rosacea.....	3	5	8
Papilloma.....	2	.....	2
3. Of Pigment —			
Chloasma.....	.....	2	2
Melanosis progressiva, etc.....	.....	1	1
<i>Carried forward</i>	303	302	605

DISEASES OF THE SKIN.—Continued.

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	308	302	605
ATROPHIES.			
1. Of Hair—			
Alopecia.....	1	2	3
" areata.....	1	3	4
2. Of Pigment—			
Vitiligo.....	1	1	2
NEW FORMATIONS.			
A. Of Granulation tissue—			
Lupus vulgaris.....	5	2	7
Scrofuloderma.....	1	4	5
Syphiloderma.....	47	36	83
B. Of Fat tissue—			
Lipoma.....	1	.....	1
C. Of Connective tissue—			
Fibroma.....	1	.....	1
D. Of Blood vessels—			
Telangiectasis.....	1	.....	1
E. Of Epidermis—			
Epithelioma.....	6	6	12
NEUROSES.			
Pruritus.....	13	8	21
Hyperæsthesia.....	.....	1	1
Trophoneurotic ulcer.....	1	.....	1
PARASITIC DISEASES.			
A. Animal—			
Scabies.....	44	34	78
Pedicull capitis.....	5	23	28
" vestimentorum.....	2	2	4
" pubis.....	1	.....	1
B. Vegetable—			
Tinea favosa.....	.....	1	1
" versicolor.....	6	2	8
" trich. capitis.....	7	2	9
" " corporis.....	6	9	15
" " barbæ.....	9	.....	9
Erythrasma.....	.....	1	1
<i>Carried forward</i>	462	450	901

DISEASES OF THE SKIN. — *Concluded.*

DISEASES.	Male.	Female.	To
<i>Brought forward</i>	462	420	
OTHER DISEASES.			
Hordeolum	1	.....
Panaritium	2	.....
Ranula	1	.....
Adenitis	1	1	
Stomatitis .....	.....	2	
Leukoplakia buccalis .....	.....	1	
Grand total	467	443	

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

IN CHARGE OF DRs. PRINCE AND KNAPP.

Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, *inclusos*.

<i>of the Peripheral</i>		<i>Brought forward</i>	272
		<i>Diffuse Neuroses and psychoneuroses.</i>	
		Paralysis agitans	1
		Neurasthenia	24
		Hypochondriasis	4
		Insanity	9
		Imbecility	11
		Dementia	3
		<i>Poisoning.</i>	
		Alcohol	10
		Tobacco	3
		Tea	1
		Lead	4
		Opium	1
		<i>Miscellaneous.</i>	
		Torticollis	2
		Optic atrophy	2
		Insomnia	4
		Syphilis	8
		Facial hemiatrophy	1
		Hemeralopia	1
		Masturbation	4
		Seminal emissions	7
		Vertigo	10
		Debility	14
		Rheumatism	11
		Injury to cauda equina	1
		Stammering	3
		Dyspepsia	8
		Heart disease	3
		Allopecia	2
		Purpura	1
		Delayed speech	1
		Scleroderma	1
		Untreated and referred to other departments	38
<i>ward</i>	272	Total	455

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE THROAT AND NOSE.

IN CHARGE OF DRs. DE BLOIS AND HOOPER.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

Chronic Nasal Catarrh	75	<i>Brought forward</i>	574
Chronic Naso-Pharyngeal Ca-		Paralysis of Soft Palate.....	4
tarrh.....	176	Epistaxis	12
Acute Pharyngitis.....	32	Rhinitis — Acute.....	3
Chronic Pharyngitis.....	63	Rhinitis — Ulcerative.....	4
Specific Pharyngitis	20	Cicatricial Contraction Pharynx,	1
Tubercular Pharyngitis	1	Elongated Uvula	1
Acute Tonsillitis.....	32	Uvulitis	2
Chronic Tonsillitis, including hy-		Foreign body in nose	1
pertrophy	38	Adenoid vegetations	6
Tonsillar and Peritonsillar ab-		Tumors of Larynx	2
scsess.....	9	Paralysis Vocal Cords.....	2
Acute Laryngitis (and subacute)	28	Nervous Aphonia.....	1
Chronic Laryngitis	61	Abscess, Tongue.....	2
Specific Laryngitis	7	Foreign body in Œsophagus....	1
Tubercular or Phthisical Laryn-		Ranula.....	4
gitis.....	20	Adenitis.....	5
Bronchocele	5	Stomatitis	1
Mucous Polypus	7	Diphtheria	2
<i>Carried forward</i>	574		
			628

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF THE EAR.

IN CHARGE OF DRs. J. ORNE GREEN AND BROWN.

From Jan. 1 to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
DISEASES OF THE AURICLE.			
.....	....	1	1
.....
.....	....	2	2
.....	1	1	2
.....	1	....	1
.....	1	....	1
.....	1	1	2
DISEASES OF THE EXTERNAL MEATUS.			
.....	5	2	7
.....
.....	....	1	1
.....
.....	40	35	75
.....
.....	2	1	3
.....	2	....	2
.....	4	....	4
.....	1	1	2
.....	....	2	2
DISEASES OF THE TYMPANUM.			
.....	14	9	23
.....	1	1	2
.....	78	57	135

DISEASES OF THE EAR. — *Concluded.*

DISEASES.	Males.	Females.	Total.
<i>Brought forward</i>	73	57	130
Catarrhal inflammation:—			
Acute, one.....	12	8	20
" both.....	5	1	6
Chronic, one.....	7	11	18
" both.....	8	7	15
Purulent inflammation:—			
Acute, one.....	9	9	18
" both.....	3	....	3
Chronic, one.....	23	21	44
" both.....	8	12	20
with mastoid periostitis.....	....	3	3
" papillomata.....	1	1	2
" polypus	3	3	6
Adhesive inflammation, one	11	19	30
" " both	9	17	26
Results of previous pur. inflammations.....	5	9	14
Neuralgia of the tympanic plexus .....	....	3	3
DISEASES OF THE INTERNAL EAR.			
Nervous deafness	9	9	18
Tinnitus.....	....	3	3
Auditory vertigo	3	....	3
OTHER DISEASES.			
Trifacial neuralgia .....	....	2	2
No ear disease	7	4	11
No diagnosis.....	4	5	9
	200	204	404

OUT-PATIENT DEPARTMENT.

DISEASES OF WOMEN.

CHARGE OF DRs. BOARDMAN AND C. M. GREEN.

From Jan. 1, to Dec. 31, 1886, inclusive.

<i>General Diseases.</i>		<i>Brought forward</i>	162
Rheumatism.....	1	Retrcession	1
.....	2	Abscess Bartholin's Gland	4
.....	9	Inflammation of Vagina.....	10
.....	1	Inflammation of Labia	3
<i>of the Intestines.</i>		Pruritis	3
.....	6	Epithelioma Vaginæ.....	2
<i>of the Bladder.</i>		<i>Functional Diseases of Women.</i>	
.....	2	Amenorrhœa	22
.....	4	Dysmenorrhœa	6
.....	1	Menorrhagia	6
<i>of Urine</i>	3	Metrorrhagia	6
<i>uncle</i>	1	Pregnancy.....	40
<i>Women of the Ovary.</i>		Menopause	7
.....	1	Irregular Menstruation	6
<i>of Broad Ligament.</i>		<i>Diseases of Pregnancy.</i>	
.....	2	Abortion	1
.....	9	Premature Labor.....	8
.....	4	<i>Diseases of Cutaneous System.</i>	
.....	2	Eczema, Vulvæ.....	1
<i>of the Womb.</i>		Herpes, Vulvæ.....	1
(Menorrhœa).....	15	<i>Unclassified.</i>	
.....	3	Debility	47
.....	1	Diagnosis undetermined.....	26
.....	2	Mammary Abscess	4
<i>Cervical Canal</i>	1	Gonorrhœa	2
.....	4	Labial ulcer	3
.....	1	Laceration of Perineum.....	9
.....	1	Infantile Uterus	1
<i>Cervix</i>	28	Cystocele	5
<i>at Tumors.</i>		Rectocele.....	3
<i>tumors</i>	3	Cyst of Bartholin's Gland	1
.....	2	<i>Memoranda for Out-Patient Dept.</i>	
<i>Displacements.</i>		Referred to Ear Department ..	1
.....	2	“ Throat “ ..	1
.....	15	“ Nervous “ ..	1
.....	9	“ Medical “ ..	4
.....	4	“ Supt. for Admission	
.....	18	“ for other reasons.	7
.....	6	“ Dispensary	1
<i>Brought forward</i>	162	Rejected	7
		<i>Grand Total</i>	412

BEQUESTS.

GOODNOW FUND. — **ELISHA GOODNOW**, of South Boston who died the year 1851, and whose will is dated July 12, 1849, bequeathed to the city "all the rest and residue of his estate, real and personal, not otherwise disposed of" for the purpose of establishing, in the Eleventh or Twelfth Ward of the city, a Hospital for the sick; one-half of said funds to be applied for the establishment and maintenance of free beds which should always be at the disposal and under the control of the Officers of the Government of said Hospital for the time being. Under this will the city came into possession of certain real estate situated on Cross street, which has been disposed of, and has produced the sum of \$16,500, which has been invested in City of Boston Six per cent. Stock. Also a lot of land on Third street, South Boston, containing 6,683 feet, which was disposed of in 1867 for \$4,623.25, of which \$4,000 has been invested in City of Boston Five per cent. Stock, and the balance (\$623.25) remained in the City Treasury at interest until it amounted to \$1,000, and was invested in a City of Boston Six per cent. Currency Note. The \$10,000 deposited by the Executors of Mr. Goodnow June 22, 1852, with the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, the interest upon which is to be paid to the widow, will, upon her decease, be distributed as follows: —

\$500 to the Penitent Females' Refuge.

\$5,000 to City of Boston; income to be expended for the relief of sick and infirm persons.

\$4,500 to be added to the fund heretofore provided for the support of free beds in the City Hospital.

NICHOLS FUND. — **LAWRENCE NICHOLS**, who died in September, 1862, made the following bequest to the city: "I give to the City of Boston, towards the establishment and endowment of a City Hospital, in case such Hospital shall have been established at the time of my decease, the sum of one thousand dollars." And in case such Hospital should not have been established by the city at the time of his decease, he directed the same amount to be deposited with the Massachusetts Hospital Life Insurance Company, and suffered to accumulate, by the addition of interest, until such a Hospital should be established.

The executor of the will, Wm. Perkins, Esq., has paid into the treasury nine hundred and thirty-seven dollars and

twenty-five cents (\$937.25), being the amount devised, less the *Internal Revenue Tax* on the same, and \$530.50 as one of the "*residuary legatees in the United States*," from the surplus remaining undisposed of. The \$937.25, with the accumulated interest thereon, has been invested in a certificate of City Stock for \$1,000. The balance (\$530.50) remained at interest until it amounted to \$1,000, and was invested in a City of Boston Six per cent. Currency Note.

NORCROSS FUND. — 1868, January 1. The trustees received the sum of two thousand dollars from Hon. OTIS NORCROSS, as the foundation of a fund for the benefit of patients leaving the Hospital poor and destitute of proper clothing. The principal sum is invested in a City of Boston interest-bearing note, to be deposited with the City Auditor, the interest of which is to be collected annually or oftener, and paid over to the President of the Board of Trustees, for the time being, of the City Hospital, to be by him expended at his discretion for the benefit and temporary assistance of those patients who are in his judgment deserving, and who are destitute of proper clothing in which to leave the Hospital, and having no means of procuring it.

Balance on hand May 1, 1885	\$57 17
Received interest	250 00
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	\$307 17
Expended	51 29
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Balance Dec. 31, 1885	<u>\$255 88</u>

BALL FUND. — 1870, April 1. The Trustees received from the estate of Mr. JONAS BALL the sum of one thousand dollars for the same purpose, and under the same restrictions, as the Norcross Fund.

Balance on hand May 1, 1885	\$13 39
Received interest	75 00
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	\$88 39
Expended	6 00
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Balance Dec. 31, 1885	<u>\$82 39</u>

GOODNOW LIBRARY FUND. — 1874. Donation of GEORGE GOODNOW, the interest of which to be expended annually by this Board of Trustees in replenishing the library of the Hospital with books and pamphlets suitable for the reading of the patients during convalescence.

Balance on hand May 1, 1885	\$209
Received interest	390
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	\$599
Expended	
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Balance December 31, 1885	\$599

SHAW FUND. — 1875. Bequest of the late MARY LOU SHAW, the income of which to be expended by the Trust for the purchase of flowers and fruit for the use and comfort of the patients in the Hospital.

Balance due President of Trustees from City Treasurer, Jan. 1, 1886	\$67
Received interest from City Treasurer	\$540
Deduct balance due President	67
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	\$472
Expended	174
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Balance Dec. 31, 1885	\$297

RECAPITULATION CITY HOSPITAL TRUST FUNDS.

<i>Goodnow Fund.</i> — Two certificates, City of Boston Six per cent. Stock for \$17,500, one of Five per cent. Stock for \$4,000, and one of Four per cent. Stock for \$4,500, payable to the Mayor for the time being	\$26,
<i>Norcross Fund.</i> — One certificate City of Boston Five per cent. Stock, payable to the Mayor for the time being	2,
<i>Nichols Fund.</i> — Two certificates City of Boston Six per cent. Stock, payable to the Mayor for the time being	2,
<i>Ball Fund.</i> — One certificate City of Boston Six per cent. Stock, payable to the Mayor for the time being	1,
<i>Goodnow Library Fund.</i> — One certificate City of Boston Six per cent. Stock	1,
<i>Shaw Fund.</i> — One certificate City of Boston Six per cent. Stock, payable to the Mayor for the time being	2,
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	\$34,

The Ordinance in relation to the City Hospital, Ordinances of 1876, Sect. 9, page 433, provides that said scrip shall be deposited with the Auditor of Accounts, who shall receive the interest as the same shall become due thereon, and add it to the moneys which shall have been appropriated for the use of the Hospital.

HOUSE RULES;

WITH RULES FOR ADMISSION AND DISCHARGES AND GOVERNMENT OF PATIENTS; ALSO RULES FOR VISITORS.

HOUSE RULES.

All employés shall be in their respective places during the hours of duty.

The doors and gates of the Hospital will be closed at 10 o'clock P.M., at which time all inmates shall be quiet, and all not on duty shall be in their rooms.

A record shall be kept of all persons entering the Hospital between the hours of 10 P.M. and 7.30 A.M.

No employés shall be absent from the Hospital, except as permitted by special rules or by the Superintendent.

The use of tobacco, wine, and intoxicating liquors is prohibited within the Hospital, unless prescribed by a Physician or Surgeon.

All profane and obscene language, loud talking, and incivility are prohibited.

All employés shall observe such further rules and directions for their conduct as may from time to time be established.

ADMISSION OF PATIENTS.

Applications for admission of patients may be made at the Hospital on each day of the week, Sunday excepted, between 9 and 12 o'clock A.M.

Whenever able the patient shall apply in person. When not able to appear in person, on application made by a friend, the patient may be visited at his residence.

Any Trustee, or either of the Physicians or Surgeons in attendance, may, in case of emergency, send a patient in the first instance to the Hospital by written permit.

Persons accidentally wounded, or otherwise disabled or injured, shall be received at all hours.

Permits for admission shall be subject to the approval of the Visiting Committee, and the Committee shall, except as above, have power at any time to require the Superintendent to report to them the names of applicants before admitting them, and may dismiss any patient whom they think improperly admitted, or change the terms of admission.

Patients may be admitted by the Trustees to the privileges of the Hospital at such rates of board as the Trustees may,

from time to time determine, payment for such board being secured by the friends of the patients or by the authorities of the city or town to which the patients belong.

Whenever, in the opinion of the Trustees, the circumstances of the patient will warrant it, the whole or a part of the board shall be paid. If separate apartments, or articles not usually furnished at the Hospital, are provided, such payment shall be made therefor as the Trustees shall deem reasonable.

No person having acute venereal disease, or alcoholism, shall be admitted except as a paying patient.

No person shall be admitted to the Hospital whose case is judged to be incurable, unless there be urgent symptoms, which are deemed capable of being relieved.

DISCHARGE OF PATIENT.

Patients shall be discharged by the Superintendent as before provided.

Patients discharged on the recommendation of the Physicians or Surgeons shall be provided with a certificate, stating their condition at the time of discharge, whether cured, relieved, or not relieved, which certificate shall be signed by the Superintendent.

Whenever a patient is removed from the Hospital without the approval of the Superintendent, a written statement to that effect shall be required from any person assuming the responsibility of the removal.

In case of the decease of a patient the Superintendent shall sign the death-certificate. He shall also state the time and cause of death, the disposition made of the body, whether delivered to friends or buried from the Hospital, in which latter case he shall mention the place of interment.

The body of any person dying at the Hospital shall not be delivered without a written receipt from the parties taking the same.

GOVERNMENT OF PATIENTS.

Patients shall implicitly observe all the rules of the Hospital.

Patients shall be in their proper places in the wards during the visit of the Physicians and Surgeons, and always by 7.30 o'clock P.M., unless specially excused by the Superintendent.

Such free patients as are able shall assist in nursing, and in such other services as may be reasonably required of them.

No patient shall leave the Hospital grounds without a pass from the Superintendent, nor his ward, without the consent of the nurse in charge.

No patient shall purchase, or cause to be purchased for him, any article of food whatsoever, nor any other article without the consent of the Superintendent.

Profane and obscene language, loud talking, and incivilities are prohibited.

Patients may be visited by clergymen of their own selection, and any wish for the performance of any particular religious rite shall be indulged when practicable.

Complaints, for whatever cause, may be made to the Superintendent or Visiting Committee, and when reasonable shall be by them reported to the Trustees.

VISITORS.

No person shall visit any part of the premises, except on business, or at such times as may be fixed for the reception of visitors, without the permission of the Superintendent or of some one of the Trustees.

On Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday of each week, from 2 to 3 o'clock P.M., friends may be permitted to visit patients, though no patient shall receive more than two visitors on the same day. In all cases, however, the Trustees or Superintendent may exercise discretionary powers as to excluding or admitting visitors.

All visitors shall leave the Hospital when the bell rings at the expiration of the visiting hour.

No visitor shall take any meal in the Hospital, or pass the night therein, without permission from the Superintendent or one of the Trustees.

No visitor shall be allowed to give any article of food or drink to a patient, unless by permission of the nurse; and any article sent to a patient shall be left with the Superintendent.

BOSTON CITY HOSPITAL TRAINING-SCHOOL FOR NURSES.

Trustees of the Boston City Hospital are prepared to give a two years' course of training to women desirous of becoming professional nurses.

Those wishing to receive such a course of instruction should apply to the Superintendent of the City Hospital,

The most desirable age for candidates is from twenty-three to twenty-five years; they must be in sound health, and must submit with their application a certificate from two responsible persons (one a physician) as to their good character and health. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of the City Hospital, and the approval of the Trustees, they are received for one month on probation. During this time they are boarded and lodged, and have their laundry done at the Hospital, but receive no compensation.

The Superintendent of Nurses has charge of the Training-School, under the authority of the Superintendent of the Hospital and of the Board of Trustees, and the nurses are governed by the rules of the Hospital. Their fitness for the position, during the month of trial, are determined by the authorities in charge of the school, under the direction of the Superintendent of Nurses, and the same authorities can, in like manner, dismiss them at any time, in case of misconduct or inefficiency. They reside in the Hospital, and serve as assistant nurses in the wards.

Candidates are required to be sober, honest, truthful, industrious, punctual, quiet, orderly, cleanly, neat, patient, and cheerful.

COURSE OF TRAINING.

Those fulfilling the conditions of the probationary month are received as pupils. They must sign a written agreement to remain at school for two years, and to conform to the regulations.

The instruction includes:—

The dressing of blisters, burns, sores, and wounds, the preparation and applying of fomentations, poultices, and ointments.

Phlebotomy, leeching, and subsequent treatment.

3. The administering of enemas, and use of the fecal catheter.

4. The applying of friction to the body and extremities in the best method.

5. The management of helpless patients in bed in nursing, changing bed and body linen, giving baths, keeping patients warm or cool, prevention and dressing bed-sores, managing position, etc., and in feeding.

6. The making of bandages, and rollers, preparation of splints, etc., and bandaging.

7. The making of beds and changing sheets, etc., for patients in bed.

8. The cooking, preparing, and serving of food and medicines for the sick.

They are also given some instruction in the best practical methods of supplying fresh air, warming and ventilating sick-rooms in a proper manner, and are taught to take proper care of rooms and wards; in keeping all utensils perfectly clean and disinfected, etc.; to observe the sick accurately regarding the state of the secretions, expectorations, pulse, breathing, skin, temperature, eruptions, sleep, mental condition as to delirium, stupor, etc., condition of wounds, appetite, effect of diet or of stimulants and medicine, and managing of convalescents.

The instruction is given mainly by the Superintendent of the Training-School and by the head nurses. Lectures, recitations, and demonstrations also take place at stated periods by the Hospital staff and House Officers. Examinations, chiefly upon practical points, will take place from time to time.

The pupils are employed as assistant nurses in the wards of the Hospital, and are paid ten dollars (\$10) per month during the first year, and fourteen dollars (\$14) per month during the second year, for their clothing and personal expenses. This sum is in no wise intended as wages, it being considered that their education during this time is an equivalent for their services.

They are required to wear at all times, while on duty in the wards, the Training-School uniform dress.

When the full term of two years is completed, the nurses thus trained receive (after final examinations) diplomas certifying to the regular course of training, their knowledge of nursing, and their ability.

The right is reserved to terminate the connection of a nurse or pupil with the school for any reason which may be deemed sufficient.

A blank form will be furnished to applicants to be filled

with answers to the following questions in the candidate's own handwriting, and sent to the *Superintendent of City Hospital, Boston, Mass.*

QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED BY CANDIDATE.

1. Christian name in full.
2. Are you a single woman or widow?
3. Your present occupation or employment.
4. Age last birthday, and date and place of birth.
5. Height. Weight.
6. In what school or schools educated, and in what place?
7. Are you strong and healthy? Have you always been so?
8. Are your sight and hearing perfect?
9. Have you any physical defects?
10. Have you any tendency to pulmonary complaint?
11. If a widow, have you children? How many? Their ages? How are they provided for?
12. Are you otherwise free from domestic responsibility, so that you are not liable to be called away?
13. Where (if any) was your last situation? How long were you in it?
14. The names in full and addresses of two persons not of your own kindred to be referred to. State how long each has known you. If previously employed, one of these must be the last employer.

Having read and clearly understanding the foregoing conditions and regulations, I declare the above statement to be correct.

Signed,

Candidate.

Date.

Present Address.

DONATIONS.

During the Hospital year 1885-86 the following donations to the Hospital have been received : —

- From MR. KEER, King's Chapel, hawthorn, apple, and cherry blossoms.
 From H. BROWN, Lowell, wild flowers.
 From MISS L. J. BLANCHARD, Medford, books, magazines, etc.
 From MISS TENNY, flowers, twice.
 From A FRIEND, 88 presents for the children.
 From MRS. BRIGHAM, flowers.
 From MISS DUFF, 7 paper dolls, and card album for the children.
 From DR. C. D. HOMANS, a large number of toys for the children's ward.
 From FIRST UNITARIAN CHURCH, flowers.
 From MISS STACKPOLE, knitting-wool for the children.
 From S. HOMANS, cards for the children.
 From DWIGHT SCHOOL BOYS, large bag of marbles for the children.
 From MRS. WM. H. LEAVELL, golden rod for the children.
 From FRANK HYDE, sweet-pea blossoms.
 From MISS BRACKET, asters.
 From REV. MRS. MERIDITH, Mt. Vernon, N.H., flowers.
 From MISS BIRD, flowers, fruit, books, and toys.
 From MRS. N. R. HUNT, Secretary W.C.T.U., South Sudbury, M
 flowers, cards, and scrap-book for children.
 From FLOWER AND FRUIT MISSION, many visits and large quantities
 flowers, nosegays, fruit, etc., etc.
 From LADIES OF BEN STONE POST, G.A.R., by MRS. CODMAN, quilt
 Ward O.
 From MISS AUNRÜD, books, magazines, etc.
 From E. L. SMITH, flowers.
 From MISS MASON, many presents for the patients, on Christmas.
 From HOSPITAL NEWSPAPER SOCIETY, 650 Christmas cards.
 From CARD MISSION, by REV. MR. WALDRON, Xmas cards and letters.
 From A FRIEND, 50 cards.
 From MISS GOVE, 47 cards and Christmas souvenirs.
 From LILLIAN SHUMAN, 6 dozen juvenile picture-books on Christmas.
 From MISS ETHEL KITTRIDGE, 44 presents for the children.
 From A NURSE, 20 presents for the children.
 From MISS MACY, many presents for the children.
 From YOUNG LADIES OF BOYLSTON CHURCH, Jamaica Plain, 14 scrap-books.
 From MISS REED, 2 card albums, and 2 scrap-books.
 From MISS BEANE, variety of gifts for the children.
 From DR. WOODWARD, \$2 to buy presents for the children.
 From A FRIEND, Youth's Companion, subscription for one year.
 From MAUD E. OTIS, Kennebunk Maine, arbutus for children.
 From FIRST CHURCH, Easter Sunday, flowers and floral crown.
 From SCHOOL CHILDREN (Miss E. M. HOLDEN'S), Pawtucket Falls, Lo
 flowers for children.
 From MR. MITCHELL, Charles-river Village, flowers.
 From MR. HOWE, Dedham, flowers.
 From CHURCH OF UNITY, flowers.
 From MISS MORRIS, \$16.27 worth of things for convalescent patients.
 From MT. PLEASANT UNITARIAN CHURCH, flowers.
 From MISS S. LANE, flowers.
 From METHODIST CHURCH, Auburndale, flowers.
 From MRS. T. A. WATSON, Weymouth, flowers.
 From MRS. MARSH, flowers.
 From MRS. OLIVE BAMPTON, 8 dozen palm-leaf fans.

- END, 3 dressing-sacques.
 GEORGE DICKENSON, flowers.
 PROF KINDERGARTEN, 2 scrap-books.
 LEY-ST. CHURCH, flowers.
 N YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN UNION, carriage-drives for 247
 S.
 A. GREEN, Esq., books, magazines, and papers.
 SWIFT, illustrated papers and magazines.
 . TURNBULL, books, magazines, etc.
 UNNEWELL, 3 books.
 MCFARLAND, 3 packages of papers, magazines, etc.
 . A. TURNER, papers, magazines, etc.
 UNROE, papers, magazines, etc.
 I. S. FOWLE, books, magazines, etc.
 VASS, large box cut flowers.
 ALLEN, papers, magazines, etc.
 HAS. MERRIAM, books, magazines, etc.
 HOWE, Hotel Oxford, books, magazines, etc.
 R WILLIAM SHANNON, reading-matter.
 SWEETSER, reading-matter.
 BURRAGE, Esq., 6 volumes of Atlantic Monthly.
 CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, books, magazines, etc.
 GEORGE CHICKERING, Milton, 2 baskets of June roses.
 NE HOWES, Jr., Esq., 2 baskets of pears.
 A. DEBLOIS, books, magazines, clothing, etc.
 GEDEN, reading-matter and fruit.
 GEORGE ABBOTT JAMES, books, magazines, etc.
 T. EDES, bound Medical Journals for the Medical Library, and
 Medical books.
 A. SHUMAN, 6 baskets of cut flowers.
 L IN TRAINING-SCHOOL, Colton's Atlas for Nurse's Library.
 UDLEY, presents for the children.
 EANE, books and toys.
 TON & DUTTON, 15 dozen damaged linen handkerchiefs for sur-
 se.
 ERKINS, books, magazines, etc.
 RT TORREY, general agent Standard Ther. Co., 1 dozen standard
 meters.
 MY FAUNCE, cards for children.
 A. FAIRFIELD, cards for children.
 A. PERKINS, Portland, Maine, 9 scrap-books.
 MAULINE REVERE, 27 gifts for children, and flowers, many times.
 VANS, 80 Dudley st., 21 gifts.
 GEORGE WELLS, Southbridge, Mass., fruit, candy, toys, and

 Y. P. BOLLES, picture-books and toys.
 OF N. E. CONSERVATORY OF MUSIC, toys and fruit.
 ORO', MASS., 1 scrap-book, toys, oranges, etc.
 OFFICERS, gifts for the children.
 AL NEWSPAPER SOCIETY, for daily delivery of newspapers,
 and reading-matter.
 UNKNOWN FRIENDS, at different times, reading-matter, flowers,
 toys for children, and other gifts.

DIETARY FOR PATIENTS.

MILK DIET. DAILY. — Milk, 3 pints; Bread (Wheat or Graham), toasted, if desired; Butter, Rice, Oatmeal, Corn Starch, or Farina.

HOUSE DIET.

Sunday.	Monday.	Tuesday.	Wednesday.	Thursday.	Friday.	Saturday.
BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, and Brown), Butter, Porridge of Oatmeal, Cornmeal, or Wheaten Grits, etc.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, and Brown), Butter, Porridge, or Mash, of Oatmeal, Cornmeal, or Wheaten Grits, etc.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, and Brown), Butter, Corned Beef Hash.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, or Brown), Butter, Porridge, of Oatmeal, Cornmeal, or Wheaten Grits, etc.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, or Brown), Butter, Porridge, of Oatmeal, Cornmeal, or Wheaten Grits, etc.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, or Brown), Butter, Porridge, or Mash, of Oatmeal, Cornmeal, or Wheaten Grits, etc.	BREAKFAST. Coffee, or Tea, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat, Graham, or Brown), Butter, Fish Hash.
DINNER. Roast Beef, or Mutton, Potatoes, Bread.	DINNER. Corned Beef, Boiled, Turnips or Cabbage, Potatoes, Bread.	DINNER. Roast Beef, or Mutton, Roast or Boiled, Potatoes, Tomatoes, or other Vegetables, Bread.	DINNER. Soup, or Stewed Meat, Vegetables, Bread, Pudding, of Bread, Rice, Oatmeal, Hominy, or Corn Starch.	DINNER. Soup, or Stewed Meat, Vegetables, Bread, Pudding, of Bread, Rice, Oatmeal, Hominy, or Corn Starch.	DINNER. Fish, Fresh, or Salt, Potatoes, or other Vegetables, Bread.	DINNER. Soup, or Stewed or Minced Meat, Potatoes, Bread, Pudding, of Bread, Rice, Oatmeal, Hominy, or Corn Starch.
SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.	SUPPER. Coffee, or Tea, Shells, or Cocoa, with Milk and Sugar. Bread (Wheat or Graham), Butter.

EXTRAS. — In addition to the above, the following extras may be ordered by the Visiting Physicians and Surgeons: — Milk, Beef Tea, Chicken Broth, Mutton Broth, Gruel, Oatmeal Mash, Corn Starch, Boiled Rice, Eggs, Beef Steak, Mutton Chop, and Chicken.

CITY OF BOSTON.



STATEMENT

OF

CONTINGENT EXPENSES OF THE COMMON COUNCIL.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE, June 8, 1887.

In honor of the Common Council:—

In compliance with the requirements of Rule 44 of the City Charter, the undersigned respectfully presents the following statement of bills chargeable to the Contingent Fund of the Common Council.

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

	Feb. Draft.	March Draft.	April Draft.
Punchard.			
Common Council	\$808 85	\$189 40	\$120 62
Committee on Judiciary	7 90	5 00	4 95
Committee on Obsequies of Ex- Governor Arthur	2 95		
Committee on Badges		12 00	
Committee on Elections		109 55	25 00
Committee on Funeral Isaac H. Wright		3 00	
Ward.			
Common Council	546 00	509 50	134 00
Committee on Elections		46 00	10 00
Isaac H. Wright.			
Isaac H. Wright	150 00		
Total forward	\$1,515 70	\$874 45	\$294 57

	February Draft.	March Draft.	Ap Dr
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,515 70	\$874 45	\$29
Joseph O'Kane, Reading Clerk	100 00		
Brush Electric Lighting Co., Electric Light Plant	397 80		
W. O. Robson, investigation Beacon- street grade damages	48 00		
W. O. Robson, investigation purchase of Long Island	76 00		
W. O. Robson, Committee on Elections, Sinnott & Co.	40 00	71 50	
P. E. Murray	36 50	16 00	
J. D. McGrady	34 50	12 00	
J. H. Frawley	30 00		
C. J. Mahoney	22 00		
John Graham	25 00	7 00	
John Keenan	20 50	28 50	
New England Telephone and Tele- graph Company	20 00		
Henry Crane	16 00		
H. Wait	16 00		
Richardson & Gertz, funeral Isaac H. Wright	11 25		
C. Hurley	11 25		
J. McMackin	10 00		
Henry G. Graham	9 00		
John Elms, funeral Isaac H. Wright	8 00		
George E. Richardson	6 50		
H. F. Johnson	5 00		
John E. Killian	5 00		
Charles A. Nutter	5 00		
Joseph H. Dalton	5 00		
Z. T. Cushman	5 00		
A. H. Chapman	5 00		
Frank A. Drew	5 00		
Charles H. Baldwin	5 00		
J. B. Cassidy & Brother: — Committee on Paving	4 00		
J. H. Vincent	3 00		
Brooks & Pike, Badges		529 00	
P. E. Duffee, Crayon of Prest. of Com- mon Council		150 00	
J. Mulhern		25 50	
T. & J. Sullivan		23 00	
J. Renehan		22 00	
Gately & Co.		20 00	
T. J. Sullivan & Co.		12 00	
Little, Brown, & Co.		7 50	
William Duffy		5 50	
Barnard & Co.		2 00	
John Quinn		10 00	
E. J. Fleming			
	<u>\$2,501 00</u>	<u>\$1,815 95</u>	<u>\$38</u>

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

MESSAGE OF THE MAYOR,

TRANSMITTING COMMUNICATION FROM THE

SUPERINTENDENT OF COMMON, ETC.,

CONCERNING THE

STONE EDGING OF THE FROG-POND
ON THE COMMON.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, June 7, 1877.

Honorable the City Council: —

GENTLEMEN, — I enclose herewith for your consideration a communication from the Superintendent of Common and Public Grounds, relative to repairing the stone edging to the Frog-Pond on the Common.

Yours respectfully,

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMON AND PUBLIC GROUNDS,
CITY HALL, June 4, 1887.

Honor the Mayor: —

SIR, — I herewith enclose an order from the City Council, dated May 19, requesting Your Honor "to instruct the Superintendent of Common and Public Grounds to immediately repair and put in good order the stone edging to the Frog-Pond on the Common, the expense to be charged to the appropriation for Common and Public Grounds."

In regard to the above, I wish to remind Your Honor and the City Council that I included this item among my estimates at the beginning of the year, requesting an appropriate

tion of \$500 for the purpose. The item and amount were stricken out by the Finance Committee; and I would respectfully declare that it will be impossible for me to impose such an expense upon my general appropriation, which is reduced from \$67,800 to \$60,000. This amount (\$60,000) is scarcely sufficient to enable me to do the general and necessary work of the department. Moreover, four new parks have been added to my charge without any provision being made for their maintenance or improvement.

I remain your obedient servant,

WM. DOOGUE,

Superintendent

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 7, 1887

Ordered to be printed and laid on the table.

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk

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CITY OF BOSTON.



ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

CITY REGISTRAR,

OF THE

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, AND DEATHS,

IN THE

CITY OF BOSTON,

For the Year 1886.

“ The City Registrar shall annually, in the month of February, report to the City Council a statement of the number of births, of notices of intentions of marriage, of marriages solemnized, and of deaths recorded during the previous year; with such other information and suggestions in relation to said matters as he may deem useful.”—*Ordinance.*

To the Honorable City Council:—

In obedience to the ordinance defining the duties of the City Registrar, the undersigned respectively submits his report of the births, marriages, and deaths in the City of Boston during the year 1886:—

BIRTHS IN 1886.

The number of children born alive during the year was 11,990,—6,180 males and 5,810 females,—an increase of 494 (4.29 per cent) over the number registered in the preceding year. This statement exhibits a birth-rate of one birth to each 33 of the population, estimated to have been in 1886 396,300. If the still-born children are included with those born alive (557 in number), it will appear that there was one birth to each 31.59 of the population.

TABLE I. BIRTHS IN BOSTON.

BIRTHPLACES OF FATHERS.		BIRTHPLACES OF MOTHERS.														Totals.		
United States.	Ireland.	England.	Scotland.	British America.	Germany.	Sweden.	Norway.	Denmark.	France.	Switzer-land.	Holland.	Italy.	Portugal.	Austria and Hungary.	Russia and Poland.	Other foreign places.	Unknown.	Totals.
3,376	473	111	22	483	26	6	1	1	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	7	4,320	
516	2,245	86	14	112	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	2,981	
143	69	182	17	102	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	625	
24	18	13	71	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	161	
324	99	33	11	766	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1,258	
112	27	12	2	19	344	3	1	1	4	3	1	1	1	2	1	2	632	
11	9	1	1	1	2	113	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	139	
2	2	2	2	2	2	2	19	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	
2	4	1	1	1	1	3	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23	
9	5	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	34	
6	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	18	
3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	22	
18	2	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	234	1	1	1	1	263	
16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	84	1	1	1	102	
3	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	95	
13	4	8	1	2	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	256	
19	7	2	1	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	53	
346	202	28	8	155	14	15	2	1	1	3	1	1	2	1	1	3	1,077	
4,946	3,167	437	147	1,060	425	149	26	11	24	14	13	240	88	22	210	39	11,990	

going table shows, that only in 3,550 instances (29.61 of the whole number) were both parents native—half of the children whose parentage is recorded as "n" are embraced in the above statement. It should be remembered that no small part of the children here included are but one degree removed from a foreign origin, essentially foreign as to race characteristics.

In the fifteen years ending with 1885, the variation in proportion of the foreign to the native population has been slight. In 1870 the six cities and towns now comprising the city of Boston contained an aggregate foreign-born population of 99,178, making 33.90 per cent. of a total population of 292,499. In 1885 the foreign-born population had increased to 133,015, making 34.07 per cent. of the total population. While, therefore, the foreign population has increased to one-third of the whole number, the number of children born, one or both of whose parents were foreigners, has increased to 70.64 per cent. of all the births.

STILL-BIRTHS.

The number of still-births in 1886 was 557, — 324 males and 233 females and 3 sex unknown, — an increase of 34 over the number registered in the preceding year. The ratio of still-births to those born alive was 1 to 21.52.

In 131 instances the children were colored, all of which, with a few exceptions, were males. The ratio of colored children to those of the same race born alive was 1 to 21.52 of the colored population.

The nativities of the mothers of these children were as follows: In 235 instances the mothers were natives; in 131 instances they were born in Ireland; in 14 they were English; in 14 they were Scotch; in 80 they were natives of the British provinces; in 32 they were natives of Germany; in 14 the mothers were Italians; in 3 the mothers were French; in 41 they belonged to other foreign countries; in 14 the nativities of the mothers were unknown. The following table exhibits the ratio of still-born children to those born alive, according to the nativities of the mothers. The nativity of the mother is given rather than that of the child, for the reason that the physical condition of the mother may have had a preponderating influence over that of the child.

Native.	Irish.	English.	Scotch.	Br. American.	German.	Italian.	Portuguese.
1 to 21.04	1 to 24.17	1 to 34.79	1 to 36.75	1 to 21.12	1 to 19.10	1 to 17.14	1 to 29.33

No less than 127 of these births occurred in the months of April and August — 65 in the first named month, and 62 in the last named — making 22.80 per cent. of the whole number.

BIRTHS OF COLORED CHILDREN.

The number of colored children born in Boston in 1886 (embracing both black and mulattoes) was 209, — 109 males and 100 females, — an increase of 26 over the number born in the preceding year. By the census of 1885 the colored population was 6,058, which shows that the ratio of births of that race to its population was 1 to 28.98. Including the still-born children, the ratio would be 1 to 26.69.

TWIN BIRTHS.

There were 93 plural births, 2 of which were triple births. In 29 instances both children in each were males; in 39 cases both children were females. In each of the two cases of triplets two children were males, and the other a female. Of the mothers, 39 were born in the United States; 31 in Ireland; 10 in the British Provinces; 4 in England; 4 in Germany; 2 in Italy; 1 in Scotland, and the birthplaces of two mothers were unknown.

ILLEGITIMATE BIRTHS.

By referring to Table I. it will be seen that the birthplaces of 1,077 fathers of the children born in 1886 are recorded as "unknown." Although it is not certain that all of the children thus designated were illegitimate, the probability is, however, that most of them were. Adding to this number the unknown fathers of 46 dead-born children, and assuming that these children were also illegitimate, it will be seen that of the 11,990 children born in Boston in 1886, 1 in 10.67 was illegitimate. As before remarked, the conclusion suggested by this statement may not be wholly correct; but, at the same time, it is not easy to reach any other result.

The number of births in each month is shown in the following table:—

Births.	Births.	Births.	Births.	Births.	Births.
January . . 1,019	March . . 998	May . . . 918	July . . 1,013	Sept. . . 1,028	Nov. . . 1,020
February . . 919	April . . 916	June . . . 997	August . 1,066	Oct. . . 1,044	Dec. . . 1,052

The following table exhibits the number of deaths in each ward, and also indicates those wards in which an increase or decrease of births occurred, compared with the preceding year. The births in Wards 1 and 2 (East Boston) are embraced in one statement; so are those in Wards 3, 4, and 5 (Charlestown), and in Wards 13, 14, and 15 (South Boston):—

Wards.	Births.	Increase.	Decrease.	Wards.	Births.	Increase.	Decrease.
1 and 2	931	36	.	17	277	1	.
3, 4, 5	1,030	54	.	18	227	.	8
6	807	68	.	19	677	.	13
7	547	5	.	20	631	76	.
8	519	.	12	21	348	.	9
9	283	8	.	22	546	13	.
10	89	1	.	23	550	78	.
11	270	.	1	24	526	22	.
12	318	.	22	25	224	.	11
13, 14, 15	2,079	148	.	Institutions	698	96	.
16	413		36		11,990		

It will be noticed, from the above, that 42.51 per cent. of the births occurred in Wards 3, 4, 5, 6, 13, 14, 15, 20, and 23. There was a decrease of 1 birth in Ward 11, and an increase of 1 in Ward 10, and 1 in Ward 17. The decrease in Wards 12 and 16 made 51.78 per cent of the whole.

The birth-rates in the several wards are shown in the following table; the contrast exhibited by those wards that contain a preponderating foreign population with those that contain a like native element is very striking:—

WARDS.	Population to one Birth.	WARDS.	Population to one Birth.	WARDS.	Population to one Birth.
1, 2	1 to 82.14	11	1 to 54.43	21	1 to 42.3
3, 4, 5 . . .	1 to 82	12	1 to 46.41	22	1 to 23.3
6	1 to 20.94	13, 14, 15 .	1 to 27.11	23	1 to 25.5
7, 8	1 to 23.77	16	1 to 36.76	24	1 to 32.0
9	1 to 44.56	17, 18 . . .	1 to 54.73	25	1 to 29.3
10	1 to 129	19, 20 . . .	1 to 28.56		

The ratio of births to the population in each of Wards 10, and 11, which are contiguously situated, and contain a large proportion of residents of native birth, is seen to be 1 birth to each 63.43 of the population. In Ward 10 the ratio was 1 to 129; while in Ward 6, made up almost wholly of foreign-born residents, the ratio is 1 to 20.94 of the aggregate population of those wards.

According to the State census of 1880, which was used in making up the above table, Wards 9, 10, and 11 contained 6,971 families. The average size of the families in each ward was, 5.04 in Ward 9, 6.61 in Ward 10, and 6.61 in Ward 11; while the average throughout the city was only 4.99, showing that the three wards named contained considerably more than the average number in each family. From this statement it will be seen that in those wards there was only 1 birth to each 10.86 families. The ratio of births to the families in all the wards of the city will be seen in the following:—

WARDS.	Families to one Birth.	WARDS.	Families to one Birth.	WARDS.	Families to one Birth.
1, 2	1 to 6.49	12	1 to 10.11	21	1 to 8.37
3, 4, 5 . . .	1 to 7.07	13, 14, 15 .	1 to 5.53	22	1 to 4.60
6	1 to 4.23	16	1 to 7.58	23	1 to 5.15
7, 8	1 to 4.77	17, 18 . . .	1 to 10.44	24	1 to 6.57
9, 10, 11 . .	1 to 10.86	19, 20 . . .	1 to 5.98	25	1 to 5.82

It will also be seen that Ward 21, made up of a large native population, presents a similar ratio to that of Wards 9, 10, and 11. Ward 12, which contains a large foreign population, presents an exception to all the wards of a similar character, and shows a birth-rate of only 1 to 10.11 of the families in that ward.

excess of births over the deaths in 1886 was 2,725, largest number that has occurred in Boston (with the exception of 1874, '77, and '79) in any year during the last eight years. The excess of births over the deaths in each ward (exclusive of those occurring in the public institutions) is shown in the following table:—

Births.	Deaths.	Excess of Births over Deaths.	WARDS.	Births.	Deaths.	Excess of Births over Deaths.
464	324	140	14	693	426	267
467	319	148	15	552	300	252
348	272	76	16	413	366	47
351	237	114	17	277	277	. .
331	218	118	18	227	207	20
807	451	356	19	677	478	199
547	253	294	20	631	420	211
519	321	198	21	348	240	108
283	260	23	22	546	292	254
89	130		23	550	280	270
270	238	32	24	526	333	193
318	294	24	25	224	170	54
834	559	275				

deaths in Ward 10 exceeded the births there by 41. There were the same number of deaths in Ward 17 as there were births.

The daily average number of living births was 32.85. Including the still-births the daily average would be 34.37.

MARRIAGES IN 1886.

The number of marriages registered in 1886 was 5,009, an increase of 292 over the number recorded in the preceding year. The ratio of marriages to the population was 1 to 39.55. In the preceding year the ratio was 1 to

39.55. There were 5,130 intentions of marriage recorded (an increase of 364), or 121 more than the number of marriages actually recorded.

The number of marriage licenses issued each month, and the number of marriages registered during the same periods, are shown in the following table:—

1st Quarter.	Intentions.	Marriages.	2d Quarter.	Intentions.	Marriages.	3d Quarter.	Intentions.	Marriages.	4th Quarter.	Intentions.
Jan. . .	345	350	April .	409	353	July . .	360	325	Oct. . .	561
Feb. . .	374	364	May . .	396	366	Aug. . .	416	409	Nov. . .	580
Mar. . .	293	330	June . .	406	528	Sept. . .	505	481	Dec. . .	395
Totals,	1,012	1,044	Totals,	1,301	1,247	Totals,	1,281	1,215	Totals,	1,536

The marriages solemnized in June, October, and November make 32.12 per cent of the whole number. The daily average number of marriages in November was 20.66; October, 18.13; in June, 17.60. The daily average for the whole year was 13.69.

TABLE II. MARRIAGES IN 1836.

BIRTHPLACES OF GROOMS.	BIRTHPLACES OF BRIDES.							
	United States.	Ireland.	England.	Scotland.	British America.	Germany and North'n Europe.	Other foreign countries.	Totals.
United States	2,125	184	85	14	361	29	20	2,818
Ireland	122	647	15	1	44	...	...	829
England and Wales	81	30	44	4	44	4	3	210
Scotland	24	10	8	15	17	...	...	74
British America	180	39	17	4	357	3	...	600
Germany and North'n Europe .	65	10	7	2	13	190	4	291
Other foreign countries	45	8	4	2	8	14	106	187
Totals	2,642	928	180	42	844	240	133	5,009
Per cent.	52.75	18.53	3.59	0.84	16.85	4.79	2.65	...

Of the whole number of native grooms only 2,125 (42 per cent.) married native brides, thus showing that in the remaining 57.58 per cent. of the marriages one or both parties in each marriage were foreign-born. The number of instances in which both the groom and the bride were

of Ireland was 647, making 22.43 per cent. of all marriages where one or both parties were foreign-born. It also be seen by the foregoing table, that 11.98 per cent. of the grooms and 16.85 per cent. of the brides were born in British America.

TABLE III. AGES OF THE PARTIES MARRIED.

AGES OF THE GROOMS.	AGES OF THE BRIDES.								Totals.	Per cent.
	Under 18.	18 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 40.	40 to 50.	50 to 60.	60 to 70.	Over 70.		
Under 21	16	76	3	...	...	...	...	...	95	1.89
21 to 25	35	1,156	153	16	...	...	...	...	1,300	27.17
25 to 30	20	1,026	664	96	3	...	...	...	1,809	36.11
30 to 40	6	375	476	361	25	2	...	...	1,245	24.85
40 to 50	1	53	69	161	66	6	...	...	356	7.11
50 to 60	...	4	11	40	45	7	...	...	107	2.18
60 to 70	...	1	2	4	13	6	1	1	28	.56
Over 70	...	...	1	...	...	5	3	...	9	.18
Total	78	2,661	1,379	678	152	26	4	1	5,009	...
Per cent.	1.56	53.72	27.53	13.54	3.03	.52	.08	1.02	...	100.00

There was an increase of 26 in the number of minor grooms, and an increase of two in the number of minor brides, there being 95 of the former, and 78 of the latter. The foregoing table shows that 27.17 per cent. of the grooms were between 21 and 25 years of age, and 36.11 per cent. between 25 and 30. Of the brides, 81.25 per cent. were between 18 and 30 years, and 53.72 per cent. were between 18 and 25.

There were 28 grooms who had passed their sixtieth year. Of these married a bride of 22; another a bride of 29; and still another married a bride of 27. There was one groom of the mature age of 79 years, who chose a bride of 25, just half a century his junior.

The whole number of minor grooms 62 were 20 years of age; 28 were 19; 3 were 18; and 1 was 17. Of the brides, 58 were 17 years of age; 14 were 16 years of age, and 6 were only 15 years of age.

TABLE IV. NUMBER OF MARRIAGES.

GROOMS.	BRIDES.				
	First.	Second.	Third.	Totals.	Per cent.
First marriage	4,021	255	8	4,284	85.53
Second "	478	201	7	686	13.6
Third "	28	8	1	37	.7
Fourth "	1	1	.....	2	.04
	4,528	465	16	5,009	
Per cent.	90.40	9.28	.32		100.0

The above table shows that 85.53 per cent. of the grooms and 90.40 per cent. of the brides were married for the first time. Of the 37 grooms who had been widowed twice, 3 were married spinsters, 8 married widows, and 1 married a bride who had been widowed twice. Another groom, who had survived three wives, chose as his fourth a spinster; and another, of the same experience, selected a widow. Eight grooms, who assumed the marital relation for the first time, were united to brides who had stood at the hymeneal altar twice previously.

MARRIAGES OF PEOPLE OF COLOR.

There was a considerable increase in the number of marriages of this people over the number registered in the preceding year. Of the whole number (148), in 116 instances both parties were black. In 32 cases the grooms were black and the brides white. Of the first-named class there was an increase of 21; of the second, the increase was 1.

The ratio of marriages of colored people to the colored population was 1 in 20.47. The ratio of marriages of whites to the white population was 1 in 40.15.

In 685 instances the grooms married brides older than themselves. This was the precise number of marriages of the same character that occurred in the preceding year.

THE MORTALITY OF 1886.

There was a considerable decrease in the mortality of 1886 compared with that of the preceding year. The number of deaths was 9,265; in 1885 the number was 9,621. Estimating the population in 1886 at 396,300, it will be

there was one death to each 42.78 of that number. If the deaths from violent causes of all descriptions, the death-rate from disease alone will be 1 in 22.54, — a rate below the general average for many years past.

DEATHS OF PEOPLE OF COLOR.

Statistical statistics concerning the colored race are always curious and interesting, when compared with those relating to the whites. During the past year there were 247 deaths, making the death-rate of this class to be 40.77 in each 1,000 of the colored population, as, according to the census of 1885, 6,058; or there was one death in each 24.52 of the colored population. On the other hand, the death-rate of the whites was 23.10, or one death in 43.21 of the white population. Altogether every year the deaths of colored persons exceed the births; in 1886 the excess was 38. The following comparative statement exhibits the contrast between the marriages, and deaths of the two races:—

	Population to One Birth.	Population to One Person Married.	Population to One Death.
. . . .	1 to 33.38	1 to 39.98	1 to 43.21
.	1 to 28.98	1 to 22.94	1 to 24.52

The average age of the 131 colored male decedents was 21 years, 9 months and 4 days. That of the females, 24 years, 10 months and 13 days.

MARRIED DECEDENTS.

The number of male decedents over 20 years of age was 1,521. Of these 1,521 were married at the time of their death, and 338 were widowers, making 71.58 per cent. of the male decedents over that age. The number of female decedents over the same age was 2,783; of these 12.63 were widowers, and 927 were widows, the whole making 78.69 per cent. of all the females who were over 20 years of age at the time of their death.

The following table exhibits the total number of decedents over 20 years of age, according to their respective nativities, and the ratio of those who had been married to the whole number of the same:—

BIRTHPLACES.	MALES.				FEMALES.		
	Totals.	Married.	Widowed.	Per cent.	Totals.	Married.	Widows.
United States	1,264	654	166	64.87	1,216	541	373
Ireland	836	583	134	85.76	1,100	472	441
British America	174	91	12	59.19	255	128	61
Germany and N. Europe	108	67	10	71.29	64	40	19
England	84	71	5	90.00	75	49	19
Scotland	38	18	5	60.00	20	8	5
Italy	23	6	2	34.78	11	10	1
Portugal	8	6	...	75.00	9	5	3
Other foreign countries	40	23	4	67.50	26	10	5
Unknown	22	2	...	9.09	7	...	...
Totals	2,597	1,521	338		2,783	1,263	927

The foregoing table exhibits the fact, that 90 per cent. of the male decedents of English birth, over 20 years of age, and the same proportion of the female decedents of the same nativity, had been married. Of those of Irish birth, 85 per cent. of the males, and 83 per cent. of the females, had sustained the same relation. Of the German decedents (comprising Swedes, Danes, and Norwegians), 71.29 per cent. of the males, and 92.91 per cent. of the females, had been married. There were 11 female decedents of Italian birth over 20 years of age; all of these had been married.

TABLE V. DEATHS IN WARDS AND INSTITUTIONS.

Per cent. of Population.	Wards.	Deaths.	Per cent. of Deaths.	Per cent. of Population.	INSTITUTIONS.	Deaths.	Per cent.
4.01	14	426	4.60	4.54	City Hospital	601	} 17.27
4.03	15	300	3.24	3.70	Mass. Gen. Hospital	190	
3.16	16	366	3.95	3.65	St. Mary's Infant Asylum	145	
3.21	17	277	2.99	3.06	Deer and Rainford Islands	137	
3.28	18	207	2.24	2.45	Carney Hospital	93	
4.42	19	478	5.16	5.06	Consumptives' Home	52	
8.08	20	420	4.53	4.07	Almshouses	47	
3.09	21	240	2.59	2.59	Boston Lunatic Hospital	36	
2.88	22	292	3.15	3.24	Homœopathic Hospital	20	
2.50	23	280	3.02	2.72	Lying-in Hospital	16	
4.58	24	333	3.60	3.33	Other Institutions	263	
3.55	25	170	1.83	1.98			
5.78							
		7,665	82.73			1,600	

be seen that 17.27 per cent. of the deaths occurred in several wards and charitable institutions. Ward 7 is more favorable aspect than any other ward locality. Ward 20 contains 8.08 per cent. of the whole population and 2.73 per cent. of the deaths occurred there.

TABLE VI. DECEDENTS UNDER TWENTY YEARS OF AGE.

BIRTHPLACES.	AGE AND SEX.												Per cent. of all the deaths.
	Under 1 year.		1 to 5 yrs.		5 to 10 yrs.		10 to 15 yrs.		15 to 20 yrs.		Totals.		
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	
United States	456	370	199	191	50	55	15	23	30	31	750	670	15.33
Ireland	357	243	173	183	53	52	31	31	66	78	680	587	13.67
England and Wales	57	32	26	23	12	5	. . . . .	3	2	4	97	67	1.77
Scotland	17	17	6	4	3	5	. . . . .	3	1	1	27	30	0.62
British America	126	103	71	57	16	17	10	9	20	18	242	204	4.81
Germany and N. Europe	58	53	36	23	7	5	2	3	10	8	113	92	2.21
Italy	26	23	19	17	. . . . .	1	. . . . .	. . . . .	1	1	46	42	0.95
Portugal	12	13	10	8	. . . . .	1	. . . . .	. . . . .	2	2	24	19	0.46
Other foreign	22	27	19	16	4	5	2	. . . . .	3	. . . . .	50	48	1.06
Unknown	41	41	8	3	2	1	. . . . .	1	. . . . .	. . . . .	51	46	1.05
Totals	1,172	922	567	520	146	147	60	73	135	143	2,080	1,805	. . . . .
Per cent.	22.60		11.73		3.17		1.43		3.00				41.93

The decedents under 20 years of age make 41.93 per cent. of all that died. Of children under 5 years the males exceed the females by 297. Of those between 5 and 20 years the females outnumber the males by 22. Compared with the infant mortality of 1885, that of 1886 shows a marked improvement. In the first-named year the mortality of children under 5 years was 36.10 per cent. of all the deaths, while in 1886 the deaths of children under 5 years made 34.33 per cent. of all the deaths.

TABLE VII. DECEDENTS OVER TWENTY YEARS OF AGE.

BIRTHPLACES.	AGE AND SEX.																		Totals.	Per cent.
	20 to 30.		30 to 40.		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 to 80.		80 to 90.		90 to 100.		Over 100.			
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
United States	287	243	278	233	145	189	144	117	171	128	154	207	75	112	10	16	1,264	1,216	26.77	
Ireland	94	118	118	162	162	178	180	207	161	204	91	131	52	85	7	12	836	1,100	20.89	
England and Wales	13	13	10	18	20	10	17	11	12	11	9	6	3	8	...	3	84	75	1.72	
Scotland	6	2	5	6	6	2	8	3	7	3	3	2	3	2	...	...	38	20	0.63
British America	55	64	40	62	86	51	25	31	12	23	4	15	2	8	...	...	174	255	4.63
Germany and N. Europe	18	5	16	6	16	14	30	11	14	11	13	14	1	3	...	...	108	64	1.86
Italy	5	2	5	2	4	4	5	1	1	2	2	...	1	...	...	...	23	11	0.37
Portugal	1	1	4	3	1	...	1	...	1	2	...	2	...	1	...	...	8	9	0.18
Other foreign	5	6	11	4	11	4	8	5	3	4	2	1	...	2	...	...	40	26	0.71
Unknown	1	1	11	2	6	1	4	1	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	22	7	0.31
Totals	486	455	498	498	407	423	392	387	382	389	278	379	137	216	17	32	2,997	2,763		
Per cent.	10.15	10.75	8.96	8.41	8.32	7.09	3.81	.43	.05											66.07

Of the decedents over 20 years of age (5,380), making 58.07 of the whole number, nearly 21 per cent. were under 40 years of age.

It will also be seen, by the foregoing table, that the male decedents of native birth exceeded the native female decedents by 48, and that the female decedents of Irish birth outnumber the Irish males by 264. It is further shown that in each of the nine periods into which the table is divided, the females of Irish birth outnumber the males of the same nativity.

TABLE VIII. DEATHS IN EACH MONTH.—SEX AND AGE.

MONTH.	Under 1.		1 to 5.		5 to 10.		10 to 15.		15 to 20.		20 to 30.		30 to 40.		40 to 50.		50 to 60.		60 to 70.		70 to 80.		80 to 90.		90 to 100.		Over 100.		Totals.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.		
January	72	50	40	36	13	13	3	6	8	8	43	45	39	40	43	39	41	42	37	33	30	39	16	23	2	4	1	387	379	
February	85	49	34	31	9	9	3	4	12	13	38	31	26	29	32	25	31	27	26	33	19	42	9	16	1	5	1	324	314	
March	82	71	48	46	14	17	6	8	9	15	45	39	54	49	26	40	30	42	34	37	26	36	15	15	3	2	1	392	418	
April	74	56	37	35	5	14	7	10	14	12	32	38	39	52	38	39	40	34	28	34	26	37	11	23	1	1	1	363	385	
May	69	66	48	36	11	12	3	9	5	8	33	33	46	37	40	43	37	27	40	33	27	33	13	18	2	1	1	374	361	
June	57	45	36	35	10	15	5	6	10	11	38	33	37	50	28	28	29	32	28	23	23	29	10	18	1	1	1	311	325	
July	174	145	57	52	14	11	8	2	10	7	44	34	41	33	35	27	25	29	21	35	26	26	15	14	2	1	1	472	416	
August	159	148	50	39	16	5	10	3	9	8	43	39	43	39	37	30	27	27	32	35	10	24	7	21	1	4	1	445	428	
September	136	109	42	50	10	8	5	7	12	19	42	45	41	38	29	32	31	31	34	19	20	21	14	24	2	2	1	418	405	
October	75	67	53	53	18	12	4	11	20	9	49	40	41	39	33	41	28	34	34	32	22	25	6	11	1	4	1	394	379	
November	79	52	56	41	11	18	1	3	10	14	36	32	43	50	31	36	25	24	25	33	25	25	8	19	3	8	1	363	360	
December	110	66	66	64	15	13	5	4	16	19	42	41	48	42	35	43	45	38	44	42	23	42	13	14	1	5	1	464	453	
Totals	1172	924	567	518	146	147	60	73	135	143	435	445	496	498	407	423	391	387	392	389	279	379	137	216	17	32	1	4	4677	4688

The deaths in each month, tabulated according to sex and age, are shown in the foregoing table. There were 5 decedents (1 male and 4 females) who were over 100 years of age. The number of those who had passed their 70th year (males and females) was 1,065, making 11.49 per cent. of all who died.

TABLE IX. CAUSES OF DEATH.

MALES.													FEMALES.													
CAUSES OF DEATH.													CAUSES OF DEATH.													
Totals.	Dec.	Nov.	Oct.	Sept.	Aug.	July.	June.	May.	April.	March.	Feb.	Jan.	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals.	
1	1												1	1											9	
185	19	18	24	13	24	16	17	16	5	12	6	15		3	7	5	2	2	4	6	8	5	6		49	
16	6	3	1		2		1	1		1	1			2	2	3	2	2	4						21	
45	1		2	1	8	3	3	8	5	3	5	6					1								1	
1																									1	
7					1	6	1							1											2	
1					1									1	1										3	
10					2		1	2	1	2	2			2	2			1		1					6	
8	1		2		1			1	1			2		1						1					10	
112	7	11	9	8	10	9	10	14	11	13	6	5		12	9	12	14	9	11	13	10	10	14	8	134	
3	1		1					1										1	2	1					6	
3					1				1	1				1	3	2	1				1				8	
3									2						2										3	
16	2	3	2	1	4		1		1	2					1		1			1		2	4		11	
182	12	10	16	20	12	16	14	19	19	19	9	16		10	15	19	14	18	14	15	11	10	7	6	11	150
206	36	16	14	10	10	11	10	20	12	20	21	26		28	27	23	23	15	9	7	5	10	17	20	38	223
7	1	3						1																		

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96	10	3	8	6	12	10	6	9	2	4	11	Cancer	25	15	22	22	24	17	16	23	14	16	233		
3	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	1	...	Carbuncle	1	1	...	1	3		
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	Cellulitis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
247	4	6	38	89	96	6	1	5	1	...	1	Cholera-infantum	1	...	1	3	1	75	96	43	11	3	1	205	
10	...	1	...	3	3	2	...	1	...	1	...	Cholera-morbus	...	...	...	...	4	4	4	1	...	...	13		
1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Chorea	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2		
843	76	61	73	67	69	77	67	61	76	79	66	72	Consumption	74	61	74	66	83	63	63	71	77	62	87	849
38	6	4	3	3	1	...	7	4	...	3	1	Convulsions	1	6	5	4	3	2	6	4	1	4	3	4	42
46	5	6	6	2	4	5	4	...	7	2	3	Croup	5	2	6	1	...	3	2	2	3	6	7	7	43
16	1	2	2	1	1	2	2	...	1	1	1	Cystitis	2	...	1	1	...	2	...	...	1	...	2	9	
30	4	1	...	4	2	4	1	...	4	5	1	Debility	1	2	4	2	...	2	3	7	5	3	2	4	35
15	1	1	...	3	...	1	...	2	...	3	3	Diabetes	1	2	1	...	...	2	...	1	1	2	1	11	
106	6	6	7	20	9	25	8	...	6	7	6	Diarrhoea	3	5	4	8	10	8	17	18	11	7	7	8	97
176	22	11	24	12	16	9	14	13	17	15	15	Diphtheria	16	10	14	12	9	21	15	12	13	16	16	19	172
4	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	Dropsy	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	2	
33	2	1	4	6	8	3	...	1	...	2	2	Dysentery	2	...	1	...	1	...	10	8	7	1	...	3	33
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Eczema	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Elephantiasis	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
56	2	5	3	6	11	7	4	4	1	2	2	Enteritis	3	2	3	3	1	3	10	15	9	5	4	2	60
8	...	1	...	...	...	1	3	1	1	...	1	Epilepsy	...	...	1	2	...	1	2	1	2	...	1	2	12
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Epistaxis	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
25	2	...	1	...	...	1	6	5	3	4	3	Erysipelas	3	1	2	4	3	1	...	1	...	1	1	1	18
1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fever	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	

CAUSES OF DEATH. — Continued.

FEMALES.													
Totals.	CAUSES OF DEATH.												
	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
4	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
39	1	3	4	6	3	3	1	1	1	2	1	2	1
82	11	12	10	14	9	6	4	1	7	1	3	1	6
1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
40	3	2	1	4	3	3	3	5	2	6	3	5	4
269	28	27	23	20	16	17	19	22	14	31	19	23	30
13	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	3	3	3	1	7
2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
10	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	4
109	10	4	9	11	8	15	6	10	11	12	7	15	24
10	1	4	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
120	12	4	12	11	8	9	8	9	13	15	10	16	24
12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4
25	4	1	1	4	1	2	1	3	3	1	1	2	8
4	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3

94	7	11	5	7	5	10	8	6	10	12	8	10	Kidneys, disease of	6	4	3	5	6	2	9	7	8	3	2	7	61
86	10	5	6	9	6	3	10	6	9	7	9	9	" Bright's	3	6	8	10	6	5	5	3	7	3	9	8	73
16	6	3	2	2	...	...	...	...	...	2	2	2	Laryngitis	...	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	2	3	1	16
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Leucocythemia	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1
47	2	8	2	5	4	4	3	3	4	5	3	3	Liver, disease of	5	2	1	3	3	5	4	7	5	5	3	44	
16	1	2	1	2	...	2	4	...	2	...	2	2	Lungs, congestion of	2	2	...	1	3	...	2	3	1	...	...	14	
6	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	2	1	1	Malformations	1	2	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	4	
28	1	2	2	2	1	3	1	1	2	2	4	4	" cyanosis	1	4	1	1	...	2	1	...	5	2	4	21	
4	1	...	...	1	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	" spina bifida	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	
27	16	3	2	1	2	2	...	1	...	1	...	...	Measles	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	...	4	4	9	25
9	1	...	...	...	2	...	1	2	...	2	...	3	Meningitis, cerebro-spinal	...	3	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	
6	...	...	...	1	1	1	2	...	2	...	...	...	Mortification	1	1	2	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	9	
2	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	...	...	1	...	...	Neuralgia	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	
5	...	...	...	1	1	...	...	...	...	1	...	1	Noma	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	2	4	2	1	10	
92	9	6	6	12	3	13	5	10	7	7	5	9	Old age	20	16	9	13	11	10	10	18	14	11	12	13	156
...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ovaries, disease of	1	1	...	2	1	1	...	1	...	1	1	2	10
53	7	5	3	5	3	6	6	2	1	3	9	9	Paralysis	7	3	5	10	8	5	9	4	3	4	2	9	69
39	5	2	7	4	5	2	1	1	2	3	4	2	Peritonitis	3	4	3	1	5	4	4	1	8	3	2	3	41
1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	Phlebitis	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2
29	4	...	1	1	...	3	3	2	2	3	4	6	Pleurisy	2	4	2	2	2	2	...	1	2	1	3	...	21
383	50	35	27	13	19	16	28	34	38	30	33	44	Pneumonia	35	33	42	43	30	15	10	14	17	27	38	53	357
103	8	8	7	10	8	12	7	6	9	11	8	9	Premature births	4	2	7	5	6	8	9	6	3	8	7	5	70
10	1	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	8	1	1	Prostate, disease of	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

TABLE IX. CAUSES OF DEATH.—*Concluded.*

FEMALES.													
Totals.	CAUSES OF DEATH.												
	Jan.	Feb.	March.	April.	May.	June.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	
..	1	8	6	6	3	4	3	8	4	2	8	3	57
..	1	..	2	2	..	1	1	..	..	3	..	2	12
1	..	..	..	2	2	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	5
8	2	1	1	2	..	..	2	..	1	..	2	1	8
3	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	4
28	3	4	2	3	2	1	5	3	1	1	3	3	34
16	2	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	2	1	10
2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	6
20	2	..	6	2	2	1	2	2	1	1	2	3	21
11	1	2	..	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	..	14
1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
33	3	1	3	6	2	1	4	2	6	4	4	2	6
16	1	..	3	3	1	1	2	1	1	..	..	..	10
153	14	16	21	27	17	7	9	11	5	4	2	13	147
14	..	1	1	2	..	1	3	2	2	2	1	3	20
4	1	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..

There was a decrease of the mortality from zymotic eases compared with that of the preceding year. The decrease from the ten principal zymotic diseases was 1,517 (16 per cent. of the entire mortality), a decrease of 194 deaths from the same causes in the preceding year. The mortality from these diseases during the past year (more than 3 per cent. of which occurred in Wards 6, 8, 13, 14, 15, and 19) is seen in the following table: —

WARDS.	Diphtheria and Croup.	Cholera-Infantum.	Diarrhoea.	Dysentery.	Cholera-morbus.	Typhoid Fever.	Scarlet Fever.	Whooping-Cough.	Measles.	Cerebro-spinal Meningitis.
1	15	18	3	1	...	3	9	1	1	1
2	16	19	1	3	1	5	1	...	...	1
3	11	26	1	4	2	4	2	2	...	...
4	11	11	...	6	1	2	2	3	...	1
5	7	10	2	2	...	3	1	1	...	1
6	10	27	7	1	...	5	1	3	18	2
7	10	11	7	...	...	1	2	2	9	...
8	37	24	9	1	1	6	3	3	3	...
9	13	7	8	1	...	3	3	4	1	...
10	1	1	2	...	...	4	2	...	...	...
11	9	11	...	3	...	4	3	1	...	1
12	10	17	2	1	2	3	2	1	1	...
13	21	40	9	5	4	9	3	5	2	1
14	22	14	12	4	2	6	3	...	6	...
15	16	26	6	5	...	10	...	3	5	...
16	14	39	9	1	1	4	5	1	...	...
17	8	8	3	4	...	3	1	1	...	...
18	8	5	5	...	...	1	...	2	...	1
19	26	23	12	2	3	6	6	4	1	2
20	25	20	5	5	...	7	3	3	1	...
21	16	14	4	3	...	3	3	1	...	...
22	11	26	3	2	2	1	6	3	1	...
23	12	19	2	1	1	6	6	...	1	1
24	17	12	5	3	...	2	3	...	...	1
25	2	13	3	...	2	3	4	2	...	...
Public Institutions	90	6	83	7	1	42	4	...	2	1
Totals	438	462	203	65	23	146	78	46	52	14

NOTES ON THE CAUSES OF DEATH.

Zymotic Diseases.

o. — The number of deaths from this cause was 91, —
 s and 43 females, — making .98 per cent. of all the
 The mortality from this cause in each of the last
 s is shown in the following statement; the ratio of
 from this disease to the entire mortality, in each
 stated, rather than the increase or decrease of the
 from year to year, for the reason that its effects are
 re accurately set forth:—

1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
1.04	1.65	2.00	1.96	2.08	1.26	1.56	1.38	1.25	.98

typhoid fever. — There were 347 deaths reported from this
 1886, — 172 males and 175 females, — making 3.74
 . of all the deaths. The percentage of deaths from
 ase in each of the last ten years is given below:—

1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
3.74	5.97	5.38	6.92	6.56	5.16	4.77	3.79	3.69	3.74

mortality from these two kindred diseases made 4.72
 . of all the deaths.

typhoid fever, cholera-infantum, cholera-morbus, diarrhoea, and dys-
 were the reported causes of 743 deaths (a decrease
 making 8 per cent. of the whole mortality. Of the
 from these causes 17 per cent. occurred in South
 The percentages for the last ten years are the fol-

1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
8.00	10.25	9.56	10.46	8.62	9.04	9.63	13.59	8.08	8.00

typhoid fever. — There were 146 deaths from this dis-
 0 less than occurred in the preceding year, making
 r cent. of the whole mortality. The percentages in
 ten years were as given in following table:—

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Per cent.	2.16	1.56	1.57	1.77	2.33	2.35	2.12	2.33	1.62

Scarlet Fever. — The number of deaths from this disease was 78, — a decrease of 72 from the preceding year's record — making only .84 per cent. of the whole mortality. The decrease in the mortality from this dreaded disease during the last ten years, compared with that of the ten years ending with 1876, is very marked. There were but 1,085 deaths from this cause during the period first named, showing an annual average of but 1.24 per cent. of all the deaths. In the last-named ten years there were 3,206 deaths from scarlet fever, making an annual average of 4.69 per cent. The percentage in each of the ten years ending with 1885 was as follows:—

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Per cent.	1.55	.99	1.92	.34	.35	.77	2.09	2.06	1.56

Measles. — There were reported 52 deaths from this cause (making .56 per cent. of all the deaths); 14 deaths from *cerebro-spinal meningitis*, and 46 from *whooping-cough*. The total number of deaths from *measles* during the last ten years was 475; from *whooping-cough* 773; from *cerebro-spinal meningitis*, 197. During the ten years ending with 1876 there were 357 deaths from *measles*, 514 from *whooping-cough*, and 390 from *cerebro-spinal meningitis*.

CONSTITUTIONAL DISEASES.

Cancer is the reported cause of 319 deaths, an increase of 32 over the number registered in the preceding year, making 3.44 per cent. of the whole number. As usual, the female decedents greatly outnumber the males, there being 287 deaths of the first-named sex, and 86 of the last named. Of the entire number of female decedents (4,588) one died every 19.69 from this malady. The percentage of mortality from *cancer* in each of the last ten years is shown below:—

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Per cent.	2.61	2.55	2.62	2.75	2.66	2.98	3.11	3.14	2.98

Age and sex of those who died from *cancer*, together with the location of the disease (except in a few instances), are given in the following table:—

CANCERS.

Age.		Age.		Age.		Age.
64	Esophagus . . .	46	Stomach	60	Breast	72
61	"	48	Sternum	47	"	46
75	Pancreas and stomach,	24	Tongue	75	"	59
47	"		"	77	"	45
45	Pancreas and stomach,	72	"	77	"	58
58	Prostate	56	"	40	"	61
30	"	60	"	44	"	37
54	Rectum	36	Throat	65	"	67
45	"	44	"	64	"	70
52	Stomach	70	"	82	"	79
65	"	73	"	40	"	48
67	"	73	"	52	"	55
62	"	67	Thigh	65	"	53
82	"	75	Thyroid gland	38	"	66
38	"	79	Locat'n not stated	16	"	57
60	"	54	" "	51	"	64
63	"	49	" "	58	"	39
27	"	50	" "	46	"	48
33	"	39	" "	75	"	51
46	"	57	" "	60	"	66
40	"	65	" "	70	"	47
53	"	57	" "	46	"	59
50	"	73	" "	56	"	55
31	"	75	" "		"	32
60	"	63	Total males	86	"	54
47	"	65	<i>Females.</i>		"	67
52	"	56			"	60
54	"	52	Axilla	72	"	40
91	"	68	Arm	79	"	35
63	"	71	Breast	80	"	48
62	"	61	"	36	"	75
54	"	53	"	77	"	60

CANCERS.—Continued.

	Age.		Age.		Age.		Age.
Breast	54	Liver	72	Pleura	44	Stomach	76
"	42	"	72	Rectum	50	"	53
"	46	"	55	"	48	"	63
"	74	"	47	"	73	"	83
"	66	"	75	"	62	" and bowels	62
"	47	"	63	"	66	" and liver,	73
" and liver,	51	"	68	"	36	Spine	61
" and side,	62	"	65	Stomach	65	Thyroid gland .	19
Bowels	36	"	70	"	75	Throat	76
"	60	"	57	"	41	"	50
"	46	"	51	"	82	" and mouth,	63
"	60	"	27	"	59	" and neck .	47
"	43	"	50	"	57	Thigh	66
"	55	"	79	"	68	Uterus	71
"	46	"	71	"	75	"	41
"	70	"	49	"	77	"	44
"	45	"	48	"	65	"	38
"	44	"	53	"	35	"	37
"	40	"	41	"	52	"	56
"	42	"	60	"	71	"	52
"	46	"	70	"	36	"	50
"	34	"	48	"	46	"	52
"	41	"	78	"	45	"	51
" and rectum,	56	"	68	"	61	"	42
Bladder	35	" and spleen,	36	"	36	"	44
Eye and ear . .	54	Leg	46	"	57	"	58
Face	75	"	67	"	45	"	45
"	77	"	55	"	67	"	55
"	86	Larynx	53	"	67	"	40
" and scalp .	80	Neck and side .	90	"	53	"	49
Hip	51	Ovaries	22	"	67	"	46
"	14	"	60	"	46	"	49
Jaw	39	"	32	"	46	"	34
Kidneys	64	Esophagus . . .	37	"	63	"	39
"	32	"	58	"	49	"	50
Liver	58	"	52	"	56	"	35
"	64	Pancreas	78	"	78	"	77

CANCERS. — *Concluded.*

Age.		Age.		Age.		Age.
55	Uterus	54	Uterus	47	Locat'n not stated	64
32	"	47	"	57	" "	66
50	"	44	"	39	" "	75
45	"	40	"	67	" "	70
37	"	42	"	43	" "	62
40	"	49	Vagina	83	" "	45
52	"	59	Locat'n not stated	70	" "	48
54	"	52	" "	26	" "	48
38	"	57	" "	54	" "	52
45	"	54	" "	56		
70	"	51	" "	79	Total females,	233
44	"	37	" "	81		
41	"	70	" "	75		

Consumption. — There were 1,692 deaths from this cause, 849 males and 849 females, — an increase of 103 over that reported in the preceding year. The mortality from this disease made 18.26 per cent. of the deaths from all causes or there was one death from this malady to 5.47 from all other causes. The following statement expresses the percentages of deaths from consumption in each of the ten years :—

	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
	17.48	18.28	16.97	16.00	16.98	17.30	17.80	16.22	16.41	18.26

As can be seen, from the above, that there was a greater ratio of deaths from *consumption* in 1886 and 1878 than in any of the other eight years. With the exception of the years above named, and perhaps similar rare instances in other years, the ratio of deaths from *consumption* has seldom been below or exceeded the highest and lowest ratios shown in the foregoing statement.

The following statement shows the nativity of those who died from *consumption*, with the ratio of the deaths from the same to those from all causes according to the nativities of the decedents, are given on the next page :—

Nativities.	Males.	Females.	Ratio.	Nativities.	Males.	Females.
United States	399	350	1 to 5.34	Germany	36	17
Ireland	258	318	1 to 5.36	Italy	3	5
England	30	28	1 to 5.57	Portugal	5	5
Scotland	12	11	1 to 5.	Other foreign countries	9	12
British America	87	102	1 to 4.62	Unknown	4	1

It will be seen, from the above, that the ratio of death from *consumption* was far less among decedents of Italian birth than among any other race; and that the highest mortality occurred among those from the British American provinces.

It is worthy of notice that the 450 decedents between 15 and 40 years of age (the sexes being very nearly equal) made no less than 26.59 per cent. of all who died from this cause. Of the 142 who died between the ages 15 and 20, — the period immediately preceding adult life — 56 were males and 86 were females.

It is no less interesting to note the occupations of a large portion of those who died from consumption. Laborers made 22.42 per cent. of all the males, — 843 in number. Merchants, store-keepers, and clerks made 14.35 per cent. Teamsters, machinists, and carpenters (numbering 29, and 24, respectively) made 8.77 per cent.; while printers, tailors, and shoemakers (numbering 24, 18, and 14, respectively) made 6.64 per cent. The classes above named embrace more than half (52.18 per cent.) of all the males who died from this cause.

The number of deaths from *hydrocephalus* was 2 from *Tabes mesenterica*, 300; from *scrofula*, 26, — aggregate number making 5.70 per cent. of the entire mortality.

LOCAL DISEASES.

Apoplexy and Paralysis. — There were 368 deaths reported from these causes, — 165 males and 203 females making 3.97 per cent. of all the deaths. The deaths from these causes have varied but slightly in their proportion during the last ten years, as will be seen in the following statement: —

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.
Per cent.	3.68	3.40	3.48	3.41	2.35	3.31	3.21	3.26	3.47

Diseases of the Heart. — As will be seen by the following statement, there has been a gradual increase of the mortality from diseases of the heart during the last ten years: —

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Per cent.	3.91	4.68	5.15	5.00	4.86	5.64	5.54	5.51	5.75	6.13

Bronchitis and Pneumonia. — There were 1,168 deaths reported from these causes, which made 12.61 per cent. of the deaths from all causes. As will be seen below, the mortality from bronchitis and pneumonia in 1885 was very large, exceeding that of any former year: —

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Per cent.	9.44	10.91	11.05	13.32	12.75	10.23	9.87	11.05	15.00	12.61

Asthma was the reported cause of 11 deaths; *laryngitis* of 32; *congestion of the lungs* of 30; and *pleurisy* of 50: the whole number making 1.33 per cent. of all the deaths.

Diseases of the Digestive System. — The total number of deaths from causes belonging to this class of diseases was 485,—a decrease of 19,—making 5.23 per cent. of the entire mortality. The principal diseases belonging to this class were *enteritis*, from which there were 116 deaths; *diseases of the liver*, which caused 91 deaths; *gastritis*, 84 deaths; and *peritonitis*, which was fatal in 80 instances. The ratio of deaths from these causes in 1885 was almost identical with that of 1886.

Diseases of the Urinary Organs. — There were 400 deaths from the several diseases belonging to this class, which make 4.32 per cent. of the entire mortality. There were 159 deaths from *Bright's disease*, and 155 from other diseases of the kidneys; 26 deaths from diabetes; 25 from cystitis; 10 from diseases of the prostate; and 24 from calculus. The percentage of the mortality from these causes in each of the last ten years is given in the following table: —

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Per cent.	2.83	3.02	3.06	2.84	3.10	3.47	3.09	3.52	3.99	4.32

DEVELOPMENTAL DISEASES.

The number of deaths from this class of causes (comprising deaths from old age and from diseases of women and children) was 767, making 8.28 per cent. of the entire mortality. Of this number 148 were reported as having died of old age (92 males and 156 females); 173 were children prematurely born; 60 were victims of various malformations; and 69 died from childbirth diseases. The percentage of deaths from puerperal diseases, as applied to the female decedents, in each of the last ten years, is seen in the following table:—

Years	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
Per cent.	1.64	1.73	2.07	2.00	1.81	2.30	2.17	1.62	2.02	1.50

The number of married female decedents was 1,263; there were, therefore, one death from puerperal diseases to each 18.30 of those who were married at the time of their death. The following table exhibits the ages of those who died, together with the specific causes, as reported by the physicians in attendance:—

	AGES.					Totals.
	19 to 25.	25 to 30.	30 to 35.	35 to 40.	40 to 50.	
Abortion	2	1	4	3	1	11
Convulsions	4	1	2	1	1	9
Difficult labor	3	2	.....	2	.....	7
Metria	4	5	1	1	1	12
Metritis	1	.....	.....	.....	1	2
Peritonitis	1	4	2	.....	.....	7
Hæmorrhage . . . . .	.....	.....	3	4	1	8
Ruptured uterus . . . . .	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	1
Septicæmia	1	2	3	2	.....	8
Not given . . . . .	.....	1	2	.....	1	4
Totals	16	17	17	13	6	69

Malformations.—There were 60 deaths from causes of this character. There were 44 instances of *cyanosis*; 6 of *spina bifida*, and 10 of various malformations.

DEATHS FROM EXTERNAL CAUSES.

nts.—The number of deaths from accidents was an increase of 13 over the number that were registered in the preceding year,—making nearly 3.64 per cent. of the total mortality. The percentage of deaths from casualties of the last ten years is shown in the annexed state-

.	1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
.	3.46	3.13	3.28	3.32	4.30	4.94	4.09	4.24	3.37	3.64

It can be seen that, with the exception of the years 1881—1886, the percentage of deaths from accidental causes varied but not much from year to year. The character of the several accidents, except in a few instances, will be seen in the annexed

	No.	
Killed on railroads	68	Exposure
Drowned	46	By pistol-shot
Burned and scalded	37	Crushed by horse-car
Falls—downstairs	15	Suffocated in bedclothes
“ from windows	15	By fall of bed-frame
“ “ buildings	7	“ “ ladder
“ “ stagings	6	“ “ spar
“ into vessels' holds	4	“ “ plank
“ from chairs	4	Crushed by wagon
“ on floor	4	“ “ hogshead
“ from bed	3	By morphine
“ on sidewalk	3	“ chloride of zinc
“ on ice	1	“ potash
“ from door-steps	1	“ aconite
“ into ditch	1	“ chloral hydrate
“ from ladder	1	“ Paris green
“ “ vessel's mast	1	“ ammonia
“ “ bridge	1	“ coal-gas
“ “ wharf	1	“ electric shock
“ “ load of hay	1	Kicked by horse
“ through skylight	1	Thrown by horse
“ “ scuttle	1	Leg cut off by ship's hawser
“ “ hatchway	1	By blasting rocks
“ not given	7	Suffocated by falling earth
Surgical operations	8	Choked by meat
Run over by vehicles	8	Foreign body in lung
Sunstroke	10	By machinery
Killed by elevator	8	Not specified
Suffocated in burning building	7	
Thrown from vehicles	4	

Suicides.—There were 44 deaths of this character, 38 the decedents being males, and 6 females. The most frequent method of taking one's own life seems to have been shooting, 13 having used that means of ridding themselves of life; 7 preferred hanging; 7 cut their throats; 3 drowned themselves; 3 employed arsenic; 7, other poisonous drugs; 1 threw himself under the wheels of a locomotive; 1

haled illuminating gas; and 2 (reported as suffering mental derangement), by methods not reported. The following table shows the number of suicidal deaths in each of the last ten years:—

1877.	1878.	1879.	1880.	1881.	1882.	1883.	1884.	1885.	1886.
39	34	36	40	42	51	46	54	45	44

Homicides.— There were 14 instances of homicide, an increase of 5 over the number that occurred in the preceding year.

During the thirty-three years ending with 1886— embracing the period in which the writer has held the office of City Registrar— there were registered in the three cities and three towns now composing the city of Boston, the births of 309,730 children, exclusive of those who were dead-born. The number of deaths during the same period was 237,333. The births, it will be seen, outnumbered the deaths by 72,397. In those thirty-three years there were solemnized and recorded the marriages of 125,886 couples, or 251,772 persons. There was doubtless a considerable number of marriages, in addition to those enumerated above, that have never been returned, through the carelessness and neglect of those who solemnized them.

In contrast with the above statement is that concerning the births and deaths in the city of New York during the sixteen years ending with 1886. The statistics are taken from the *New York Star*. The total number of births in New York during the period named was 417,841. The number of deaths in the same time was 508,174, exhibiting the fact that the deaths exceeded the births by no less than 90,633. In 1872 the deaths in that city exceeded the births by 10,579; in 1881, by 12,494; and in 1882, by 10,630. Immigration is assigned as largely responsible for this difference between the number of children born and the number of deaths. There can be little doubt, however, that the chief reason why so few births appear on the records is the faulty method of collecting them. The estimated population of New York is 1,500,000. The number of births

recorded there in 1886 was 31,319. The population of Boston in 1886 was, probably, not far from 396,300; considerably less than one-third of that of New York. The number of births here in 1886 was 11,990. A like difference is relative to the marriages recorded in the two cities. While there were 5,009 marriages registered in Boston in 1886, there were only 12,216 recorded in New York, or about 25 per cent. only of the number that doubtless occurred. If the ratio of marriages to the population of the two cities were the same,—and why should it not be so?—there could not have been solemnized in New York in 1886 more than less than 20,000 marriages.

The earliest records of marriages of Boston contain many Christian names that remind one of those that were prevalent in Cromwell's day. Some of these names, although quaint, have a gravity and dignity that contrasts favorably with the inane and shallow appellatives that are so frequent at the present time. The following list of a few of the names that appear on the Boston records is an interesting one. Those enclosed in parentheses are surnames:—

MALE NAMES.

After.	Lately.	Stamper.
Birdseye.	May-be.	Takeheed.
Cordial.	North.	True (Scales).
Chapel.	Orange.	Venture.
Dawn.	Pardon.	Wanton.
Diamond-Dust.	Preserved.	Will-B-True.
Eolian.	Person.	Welcome.
Fortunate.	Pious.	Willing.
Fawn.	Ransom.	Waitstill.
February.	Return.	Winter's-day (Mers).
Grin (Longfellow).	Retire.	Youth (Young).
Hearthrest.	Reason.	Zealous.
Hate-evil.	Renewed.	
Knought.	Sedate.	

FEMALE NAMES.

Admonition.	Dove.	Force.
Amity.	Estimate.	Fashionette.
Ashpherleighn.	Experience.	Given.
Content.	Exercise (Blackluch).	Hopey.
Delight.	Fear G.	Hopestill.
Deliverance.	Freelove.	Holly.
Daisy-Bud.	Fancey.	Happy.

Primrose.	Squashebah (colored)
Queen V.	(Prob. Squaw She-
Relief.	ba).
Repent.	Silence.
Remember.	Seraph.
Rely.	Thankful.
Rest.	Temperance.
Reliance.	Unity.
Renewer.	Virgin.
Submit.	Wait-a-while (Make-
Shaver.	peace).
Supply.	Wealthy.
Sobriety.	Watching.

N. A. APOLLONIO,
City Registrar.

OF CITY REGISTRAR, BOSTON, June 13, 1887.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887 — CHAPTER 16.

CONCERNING OFFICE HOURS OF CITY
OFFICERS AND BOARDS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FOUR OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter four of the Revised Ordinances of 1885, as amended in section four, by chapter fifty-one of the Ordinances of 1886, is hereby further amended, in said section, by inserting after the word "holidays," in the fifth line thereof, the words "and the anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill."

Said chapter is also further amended, in section five, by adding thereto the following words: "and the anniversary of the battle of Bunker Hill."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 7, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 9, 1887.

Concurred.

DAVID F. BARRY,
President.

Approved June 11, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.
Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887 — CHAPTER 17.

CONCERNING SALARIES OF ENGINEERS
AT BROADWAY BRIDGE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the engineer of Broadway bridge, by striking out the words "one engineer, whose yearly salary shall be eight hundred dollars," and inserting the words "two engineers, whose yearly salaries shall be eight hundred dollars each," in place thereof.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 7, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON CONCIL, June 9, 1887.

Concurred.

DAVID F. BARRY,
President.

Approved June 11, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

[DOCUMENT 103 — 1887.]

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887 — CHAPTER 18.

CONCERNING THE DISPOSITION OF CERTAIN
RECEIPTS BY THE TRUSTEES OF
THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FORTY OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter forty of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended by adding thereto the following section, to be numbered section five of said chapter.

"SECTION 5. All fines collected by the public library, and all money received by the board of trustees from the sale of catalogues, waste-paper, old books, or other material shall be retained and expended by said board of trustees for the general purposes of the library, in addition to any general appropriations. But such sums shall be accounted for by the said trustees in the annual report of their acts and expenditures. Section seven of chapter fifteen of the Revised Ordinances of 1885, shall not apply to the matters hereinbefore named."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 7, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.
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IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 9, 1887.

Concurred.

DAVID F. BARRY,
President.

Approved June 11, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

SOUTH BOSTON RAILROAD.

FORTY-SEVENTH LOCATION.

IN BOARD OF ALDRMEN, June 13, 1887.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the petition of the South Boston Railroad Company for the right to lay down tracks in certain streets in South Boston, having considered the subject, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

For the Committee,

SAM'L. J. CAPEN,

Chairman.

Ordered, That, in addition to the rights heretofore granted the South Boston Railroad Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the city of Boston, said company shall have the right to lay down tracks, with all necessary curves, connections, turnouts, etc., on Ninth street, from its junction with Dorchester street, connecting with the tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company now laid in said street; thence over said street to its junction with K street; thence over K street to its junction with O street; thence on O street to its junction with Sixth street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company at that point.

Also to lay tracks, with the right to use the same, on Seventh street, from K to O street.

Also to lay tracks on Fourth street, connecting with tracks now laid on said Fourth street to K street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company on said Fourth street at K street.

Also to lay tracks on First street connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company and with tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad Company, at the junction of said First street with Dorchester avenue, thence upon said First street to Dorchester street, thence upon Second street to P street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company on said P street.

Also to lay tracks on said Second street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company and said Metropolitan Railroad Company, on said Dorchester avenue, at its junction with said Second street ; thence upon said Second street to Dorchester street, crossing said Dorchester street ; thence on Emerson street to Third street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company at that point.

Also to lay tracks on Third street, from Dorchester avenue, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company and said Metropolitan Railroad Company on Dorchester avenue ; thence upon Third street to Dorchester street, connecting with tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company at Dorchester street.

Also to lay tracks to connect with the tracks of said South Boston Railroad Company at the junction of Second street and L street, thence on said L street to said Third street, thence on Third street to Emerson street, there connecting with the tracks of the said South Boston Railroad Company, said tracks and turnouts being shown by red lines on a plan made by Daniel Coolidge, dated March 14, 1887, and deposited in the office of the Superintendent of Streets.

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order is upon condition that the whole work of laying the same, the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also upon condition that said South Boston Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and shall agree, in writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained, and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this order ; otherwise it shall be null and void.

Further provided, that said corporation shall adopt and use in the construction of said railway, the most approved pattern or form of rail now in use, and such as shall least interfere with public driving and the use of the streets for ordinary traffic.

And such rail and construction of road shall be satisfactory to and approved by the Superintendent of Streets.

it shall also keep in repair, and maintain the road-
side, and a space 18 inches wide outside its tracks,
copy to the Superintendent of Streets, and otherwise
in accordance with chapter 113, section 32, of the Public
Laws.

d. Approved by the Mayor, June 14, 1887.
e copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL.
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

METROPOLITAN RAILROAD.

ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTEENTH
LOCATION.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 13, 1887.

Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the report of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for the right to lay down tracks with all necessary curves, connections, turn-outs, etc., in certain streets in Boston, Roxbury, and Dorchester, having considered the subject, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

For the Committee,

SAM'L. J. CAPEN,

Chairman.

Resolved, That, in addition to the rights heretofore granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the city of Boston, said company shall have the right to lay down tracks, with all necessary curves, connections, turn-outs, etc., on Lamartine street, Highland Disston street, beginning at the tracks of this company on Centre street and running over Lamartine, Green, Elm, Everett and South streets, to Keyes street, there to connect with the tracks of this company on South street; also to extend the tracks on South street to the Forest Hills station of the Metropolitan railroad; also to lay tracks on Centre street, from the tracks connecting with its tracks on Pynchon street, from the tracks connecting with its tracks at Eliot square. Also to lay tracks on West Lenox street, from Tremont to West Lenox street, to connect with the tracks of this com-

pany on both Washington and Tremont streets, with curves both ways on each street.

Also to lay tracks on Boston street, Dorchester District, beginning and connecting with tracks of this company on Stoughton street at Upham's Corner, and connecting with tracks on Dorchester avenue.

Also to lay tracks on East Chester Park Extension called, from Boston street to Swett street, and on Swett street to Albany street, there to connect with the tracks on Northampton street, with the right to use tracks already laid on Northampton street not belonging to this company; and the right to connect such tracks on East Chester Park with the tracks on Boston street, with curves both ways on the same shall have been laid.

Also to lay tracks on Swett street, from the tracks of this company on Dorchester avenue to and across Albany street there to connect with the tracks already laid on Northampton street, with the right to use any of the tracks on Northampton street not belonging to this company.

Also to lay tracks on Erie avenue, Dorchester District, from Washington street to Glen road, and on Glen road to Blue Hill avenue, with the right to connect said tracks with the existing tracks on Washington street.

Also to lay tracks on Adams street and Neponset avenue, beginning at the tracks on Dorchester avenue at Field's Corner and extending to Neponset bridge.

Also to extend its Dartmouth-street tracks from their connection at Tremont street, across Tremont street and over Dedham street to, and to connect with their tracks on Harrison avenue, with turnouts both ways at Washington street and Harrison avenue.

Also the right to extend their present tracks on Bowdoin street from their present termini at Geneva avenue to, and to connect with tracks already laid on Washington street.

Also the right to use electric power for the propulsion of its cars on all or any of the above routes or their connections, said tracks and turnouts being shown by red lines on a plan made by Arthur Plympton, dated June 14, 1887, and deposited in the office of the Superintendent of Streets.

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order upon condition that the whole work of laying the same in the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also upon condition that the said Metropolitan Road Company shall accept this order of location, and shall

writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this ordinance, otherwise it shall be null and void.

It is provided, that said corporation shall adopt and carry out the construction of said railway, the most approved and best form of rail now in use, and such as shall least interfere with public driving and the use of the streets for the ordinary traffic.

Such rail and construction of road shall be satisfactory and approved by the Superintendent of Streets.

It shall also keep in repair and maintain the road-bed and a space eighteen inches wide outside, its tracks, and shall conform to the order of the Superintendent of Streets, and otherwise conform to the provisions of chapter 113, section 32, of the Public Laws of the City of New York.

Approved by the Mayor June 14, 1887.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

METROPOLITAN RAILROAD.

ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTEENTH LOCATION.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 13, 1887.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was recommitted the petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for leave to construct a third track to connect with tracks now laid on Tremont street, from Sterling street to Ruggles street, having considered the subject, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

For the Committee,

SAM'L J. CAPEN,

Chairman.

Ordered, That, in addition to the rights heretofore granted the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston, said company shall have the right to lay down a third track in Tremont street, from Sterling street to Ruggles street, to connect with tracks already laid there; said tracks and turnouts being shown by red lines on a plan made by Arthur Plympton, dated June, 1887, and deposited in the office of the Superintendent of Streets.

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order is upon condition that the whole work of laying the same, the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Super-

intendent of Streets, and shall be approved by them. Also, upon condition that said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and shall agree, in writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained, and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this order; otherwise it shall be null and void.

Passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 14, 1887.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

[DOCUMENT 107 — 1887.]

CITY OF  BOSTON.

SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1887-88,

WITH

MESSAGE OF THE MAYOR

VETOING

CERTAIN ITEMS IN SAID BILL.

ORDERS

*Relating to Specific Appropriations for the Financial Year
1887-88.*

It is hereby ordered by the City Council, That, to defray the expenditures of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk for the financial year which will commence with the first day of May, 1887, and end with the last day of April, 1888, the following sums of money be, and the same are, hereby respectively appropriated for the objects and purposes as herein set forth; said sums to be in addition to the amounts appropriated in the general appropriation bill passed April 30, 1887 (Doc. No. 79).

Provided, That all appropriations herein made, and all appropriations and expenditures hereafter to be made or authorized, shall be subject to and in accordance with Chapter 15, Sections 3 and 4, of the Revised Ordinances of 1885, and Sections 14, 15, and 16 of the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council, as adopted for this year. No contract shall be made, nor expenditure authorized in any case, unless

the same shall have been provided for herein, or unless provision for the same shall be made by special transfer from some of the appropriations herein contained, or by creating a loan.

Provided, also, That any sums of money which may be subscribed or contributed by individuals to promote the objects of any of the following appropriations, and which form no part of the estimated income of the city, shall be strictly applied according to the intention of the contributors, and shall be credited to such appropriations accordingly; that is to say:—

For Fire Department	\$38,000
County of Suffolk	20,000
Incidentals	10,000
Paving Department	100,000
Commonwealth Avenue	125,000
High School-house, Roxbury	50,000
New Piers, South Ferry, East Boston	15,000
Grammar School-house, South Boston	15,000
Mt. Hope Cemetery, removal of gravel or purchase of the land	2,000
Wharf, Paving Department	50,000
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	\$425,000

TAX-BILL, 1887-88.

ORDERS

Laying a Specific Tax to defray the Expenses of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk for the financial year 1887-88, and providing for interest on non-payment of same.

Ordered, That the sum of four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000) be raised on the polls and estates taxable in this city, according to law, to pay the current expenses of the City of Boston and the County of Suffolk during the financial year which will commence with the first day of May, 1887, and end with the last day of April, 1888.

Ordered, That, in pursuance of the authority of Chapter 11, Section 67, of the Public Statutes, all taxes assessed for the purpose of providing for the expenditures of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk, for the financial year 1887-88, and for paying the city's proportion of the State tax of 1887,

due and payable on the first day of November, 1887; the same shall remain unpaid, interest at the rate of per cent. per annum shall be charged upon all such taxes not be paid at that date; and upon all taxes that shall be unpaid on the first day of January, 1888, there shall be added interest at the rate of seven per cent. per annum; the interest that shall have become due from and above-named dates shall be added to and be a part of the taxes; *provided, however*, that the taxes assessed by Chapter 13 of the Public Statutes, upon the National Banks and of other corporations, shall be payable on the first day of November, 1887, and shall be charged, as provided in said chapter, upon all such taxes as remain unpaid after that date, at the rate of seven per cent. per annum.

1. The item for Incidentals: Yeas, 9; nay, 1.
 Given for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 15, 1887.

Ordered, the item for incidentals being passed: Yeas, 10; nays, 2.

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

JUNE 16, 1887.

Approved of the following-named items in the above order,

Police Department	\$38,000
County of Suffolk	20,000
Incidentals	10,000
Paving Department	100,000
Commonwealth Avenue	125,000
City Piers, South Ferry, East Boston	15,000
Hope Cemetery, removal of gravel, etc.	2,000
Wharf, Paving Department	50,000
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Total	\$360,000

And disapprove of the items for : —

High School-house, Roxbury	\$50,000
and Grammar School-house, South Boston	15,000

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

CITY OF BOSTON,
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, June 16, 1887.

Honorable the City Council:—

MEMEN, — I return herewith the appropriation bill by the Common Council on June 15, 1887. I append the following items therein, viz. :—

Executive Department	\$38,000	
County of Suffolk	20,000	
Dentals	10,000	
Engineering Department	100,000	
Commonwealth Avenue	125,000	
Wharves, South Ferry, East Boston	15,000	
North Boston Cemetery, removal of gravels, etc.	2,000	
Wharf, Paving Department	50,000	
	<hr/>	\$360,000

Approve of the items :—

High School-house, Roxbury	\$50,000
Grammar School-house, South Boston	15,000

should have approved the items of \$50,000 for the High School, and \$15,000 for the South Boston Grammar School without hesitation; but I am satisfied that the amount appropriated will not be sufficient to complete the buildings, and, in consequence, will be no benefit what-advancing the work. It is merely voting money to idle in the treasury, for at least a year, that could be to better advantage in other departments. In fact, the appropriations made, that are not sufficient to complete the buildings, tend to cause delay and embarrassment, because construction cannot be made or the work commenced.

We have altogether too many unexpended balances in our Executive Department drawing very little interest. The balance of the appropriation for the Public Library, amounting to \$368,000, after deducting the expense of the foundation, is a striking instance. No one believes that the new Public Library can be built for that sum. In fact, the plans have not been completed, are not likely to be finished for some time; and, when these plans are completed, it will be found that they will require a much larger sum of money. The balance of the appropriation now on hand will not pay the construction of such a building as the public generally

Neither will the amount appropriated for the

Roxbury High School or the South Boston Grammar School be sufficient to put up such buildings as necessity demands. I know that remarks are sometimes made that our school-houses are too expensive; but, when these remarks are made, it is not considered that a large grammar school-house is built to accommodate some six hundred children, with a large force of teachers, and the health and well-being of our children demand the best school-houses that can be built, with all the modern improvements, particularly as regards light, air, and ventilation. I do not believe there is any economy in building cheap school-houses. In fact, it would, perhaps, be good policy if some of our school-houses were condemned as unfit buildings in which to crowd large numbers of young children.

Some two years ago an appropriation of \$10,000 was made for Out-patients, City Hospital. This sum was altogether inadequate. Subsequently an addition of \$9,000 was made; but \$19,000 will not erect such a building as is wanted. This is another notable instance of the absurdity of making an appropriation altogether too small for the purposes required. If a building had been erected costing \$10,000, the amount first voted for the object, it would have been a disgrace to the city, unworthy of the great charity for which it was intended. It would have been very little improvement if one costing \$19,000 was erected. It will require an additional appropriation of \$16,000 before a dollar of the \$19,000 already appropriated can be touched. Of what practical benefit is it to appropriate money in this way? The Out-patients' Department of the City Hospital is the most deserving charity under the control of the city. The poor and the unfortunate in this department have the best medical and surgical attendance at a time when most needed. Why should this work be longer delayed by the appropriation, from year to year, of insufficient instalments? The trustees of the City Hospital, and the medical and surgical staff have tried to impress this fact on the City Government for some years, and it looks like trifling with this important work to make appropriations that are not sufficient. The sum of \$16,000 should be provided for without hesitation, so that the work can be commenced and completed at an early day. It is unjust to the distinguished physicians and surgeons, who give their time gratuitously to the city, to fail to provide for them comfortable quarters to carry on their work. It is unjust to our poor fellow-citizens to crowd them in such a small space, where it is difficult even to make proper examinations. The small ten-foot building standing in front of City Hospital, near the entrance, may have

all the purposes for out-patients when the hospital built; but it is now wholly inadequate for the amputation of thousands of our people afflicted with diseases, who look to that department for help. convicts at Deer Island have far superior hospital accommodations than our poor and deserving citizens, who are obliged by circumstances to apply at the Out-patients' Department for medical advice.

There have been appropriated for schools and hospitals the following sums:—

Ann School	\$55,000
School-house, South Boston	90,000
High School-house	90,000
for Out-patients, City Hospital	19,000
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Total	\$254,000

has been expended for land for	
South Boston Grammar School,	\$30,000
for Roxbury High-School,	45,000
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	75,000

There is unexpended, lying idle in our Treasury . \$179,000

Money is not likely to be used for the purpose of any improvements unless the City Council makes additional appropriations. The plans and specifications for the Ann School were completed, and advertised for some weeks ago; but the bids exceeded the amount estimated several thousand dollars, and the work had to be abandoned. The \$50,000 just appropriated for the Roxbury School is not sufficient to go on with that work, as, according to the estimate by the architect, a suitable building could be erected for less than \$100,000, and this would require an appropriation of \$55,000 instead of \$50,000. The South Boston Grammar School will cost \$100,000 to complete, and your appropriation of \$15,000 for that purpose will not advance the work in the least, as no contracts have been made without \$25,000 additional appropriation. The appropriation for Out-patients, City Hospital, of \$19,000 is in our treasury, and cannot be used until an additional appropriation of \$16,000 is made. If I had approved the appropriation of \$50,000 and \$15,000 in the order of the City Council, I could have tied up additional money in our treasury, that could have been used, as follows:—

Already appropriated after paying for land	\$17
Appropriated in recent order	6
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	\$24

Or, in other words, \$244,000 would remain idle in the Treasury and could not be used, as no one of the buildings could be erected and completed for the amount appropriated.

After a careful examination of this matter with the Architect, I asked him how much of this money could actually be expended this year if he commenced and carried on the work with the greatest possible activity; and, after a careful consideration, he arrived at the following result:—

For the Horace Mann School	\$2
Roxbury High School	1
Grammar School-house, South Boston	1
Out-patients, City Hospital	1
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	\$6

It will be seen that \$62,000 is all that it is possible to expend this year, under any circumstances, if the amount to complete these works was appropriated.

Now, I would respectfully suggest that the \$50,000 appropriated for the Roxbury High School, and the \$12,000 appropriated for the South Boston Grammar School, which was given to the Sewer Department, *whose wants, it appears to me, have been overlooked*, and then pass an order giving

Horace Mann School	\$1
Roxbury High School	5
Grammar School, South Boston	4
Out-patients, City Hospital	1
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	\$12

to be paid out of next year's appropriation. None of this money will be wanted, or can be used, until 1888, and some of it not until 1889, as it will take from a year and a half to two years to complete these buildings. It must, however, be provided for now, in order to make the proper plans and contracts. It is a matter that legitimately belongs to this year's expenditures, and must be provided for; but if it is not done now the work cannot be commenced. By doing so the Architect will be able to complete his plans, and

contracts, and go on with the work without inter-

o other way of commencing these buildings unless
ne, as no appropriation the City Council has made
ent to complete them. It will also greatly relieve
s of the Sewer Department to obtain the \$65,000
l if this plan is adopted.

not done the \$179,000, already appropriated, will
ble in the Treasury, and cannot be used under the
condition of things, as no work can be commenced
entire expense is provided for.

mit herewith a correspondence with the City Archi-
his matter.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

[COPY.]

CITY OF BOSTON,

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, June 15, 1887.

INAL, *City Architect*: —

Sir, — There is now appropriated —

Horace Mann School-house.. . . .	\$55,000
Roxbury High School (of which about 0 has been expended for land, leaving 0, for building)	90,000
s been appropriated for the Grammar -house, South Boston (expended for 80,000, leaving \$60,000 for building) .	90,000

a total now appropriated for these three
-houses of \$235,000

s also been appropriated for the Out-
ts' Building, City Hospital 19,000

much of these appropriations, if the work is com-
and carried on actively, can be expended this year?

Yours truly,

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

ARCHITECT'S DEPARTMENT,

CITY HALL, June 15, 1887.

HON. HUGH O'BRIEN, *Mayor*: —

DEAR SIR, — In reply to your inquiry as to how much of the appropriation made for certain public buildings would probably be expended this year, if the work on them is now commenced and actively carried on, I would respectfully state: —

First. The plans for the Horace Mann School-house have been completed, and the estimates for building exceed the appropriation now made by \$15,000. If the work was authorized to be let at once, \$20,000 would cover the payments to be made this year.

Second. The appropriation for the Roxbury High School being reduced, after paying for the land, to about \$45,000, will necessitate a further sum of \$55,000 for the completion of the building. It will take two months to make the plans; and, if the contracts are let immediately afterward, \$15,000 is all that can be expended this year.

Third. Grammar School-house, South Boston. Only \$60,000 remaining after payment is made for the site, an additional appropriation of \$40,000 will be necessary for the building.

Two months will also be required for making the plans for this building, and, if started immediately afterward, \$12,000 will be all that can be expended this year.

Fourth. Plans are now being made for the building for Out-patients, City Hospital, and the cost of construction will exceed the \$19,000 now appropriated by about \$16,000. If work was started on completion of the plans \$15,000 is all that would be required for payments this year.

Respectfully submitted,

ARTHUR H. VINAL,

City Architect.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

AN ORDINANCE

TO AMEND CHAPTER 6 OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the superintendent of police, by inserting after the word "thousand," the words "five hundred"; in the clause relating to the salary of the deputy superintendent of police, by striking out the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "seven"; in the clause relating to the salary of the clerk to the superintendent of police, by striking out the words "one thousand five hundred," and substituting in place thereof the words, "two thousand"; in the clause relating to the salary of the property-clerk of the police department, by striking out the words "one thousand five hundred," and substituting in place thereof the words, "two thousand"; and, in the clause relating to the salaries of the assistant inspectors of police, by striking out the words "three dollars a day each," and substituting in place thereof the word "and."

CITY OF



BOSTON.

AN ORDINANCE

IN RELATION TO OFFICIAL BONDS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter five of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended by substituting therefor the following ordinance:—

CHAPTER V.

OF OFFICIAL BONDS.

SECTION 1. The several officers hereinafter named shall give bonds to the city for the purposes specified in this chapter, and with penal sums as follows, namely:—

The city treasurer, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

The city collector, seventy-five thousand dollars.

The city clerk, two thousand dollars.

The city registrar, one thousand dollars.

The superintendent of health, ten thousand dollars.

The superintendent of sewers, two thousand dollars.

The sealer of weights and measures, one thousand dollars.

The agent of Cedar Grove Cemetery, three thousand dollars.

The secretary of trustees of Mt. Hope Cemetery, five thousand dollars.

The Superintendent of the City Hospital, three thousand dollars.

The clerk of East Boston ferries, five thousand dollars, and each tollman one thousand dollars.

The clerk of books and accounts of the public institutions, ten thousand dollars.

The water registrar, five thousand dollars.

The clerk of the Water Board, two thousand dollars.

The superintendent of the Public Library, one thousand dollars.

The clerk of the Park Department, three thousand dollars.

The port physician (Quarantine Department), two thousand dollars.

The condition of said bonds shall be that the officer so named will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, and will duly collect and safely hold all of the money or other property belonging to the city and intrusted to him, and will duly transmit the same to the proper official, at such periods as may from time to time be fixed by ordinance; and he will properly hold and disburse any money belonging to the city which may be intrusted to him for that purpose.

The sureties on each of the said bonds may be one or more, but in no case for less than five hundred dollars; and the liability of each surety, when more than one is given, shall be limited to a several liability for his proportionate part only of the full penal sum named in said bond.

SECT. 2. Every salaried member of a board, and every salaried officer in charge of a department of the city government shall give a bond, with one or more sureties, in a sum to be prescribed by the mayor, for the proper use and custody of all the official records and documents of the department; for the maintenance of such books and accounts as may be required by any law and ordinance; for the transmission of all such books, accounts, records, and documents to his successor, or any other official appointed to receive them; and for the proper use and safe custody of all property in his charge. In the case of boards in charge of a department, each member shall be required to give bond for an equal amount; and, in case of any enforcement of a penalty thereon, he shall be liable only for the proportion which such bond bears to the total given by the whole board.

SECT. 3. Every board and officer in charge of a department shall, from time to time, designate such subordinates in such department as may have access to the moneys, securities, records, books, accounts, or documents belonging to his own or other departments, and shall give a bond to the city, with one surety, and with such reasonable penal sum as the mayor may prescribe, for the faithful discharge of the duties by such subordinates. No such bond, however, shall be for less than five hundred dollars, and such superior officer or board may require from such subordinate a bond of indemnity of equal amount. Such bond may be made separately for each of said subordinates, or may include two or more. In the case of boards, the bonds given by them shall run for one

and shall be renewed after the annual organization of the board, and no surety shall be necessary.

4. The bonds of every officer, and the sureties given in accordance with section one, shall be approved by the board of aldermen; and in the case of the city treasurer and city collector shall also be approved by the mayor. All said bonds, except that of the city clerk, shall be approved, and delivered before the officer enters upon the duties of his office.

5. The city treasurer shall have the custody of the bonds of the city auditor, but all the other bonds in favor of the city mentioned in this chapter shall be kept in the custody of the city auditor. The city auditor shall keep a register of the names, amounts, and sureties on all such bonds open at all times to the inspection of the mayor, and of any member of the council. He shall notify the mayor whenever such bonds expire, or that he is aware the surety has become insolvent by the death, insolvency, or other disability of any surety, and every officer shall furnish a new bond or surety as required by the authority which approved the former.

6. Every such bond shall be in such form as the city attorney and city counsel shall approve. The bond required by section two may be incorporated in the bond given under section two.

7. Whenever the tenure of office of any officer, who has given a bond in accordance with this chapter, shall expire by the expiration, resignation, death, or removal, it shall be the duty of the department in which he served to proceed, within a reasonable time, to settle his accounts, and to notify the city clerk to have such bond cancelled, or to enforce its provisions.

In either case the consent of the mayor to such cancellation shall be requisite, and entry thereof shall be made by the city clerk on the register mentioned in section five.

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

REPORT

OF

COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY,

AND

OPINIONS OF THE CORPORATION COUNSEL, AS
TO THE VALUE OF THE EQUITY OF THE
CITY OF BOSTON IN THE METROPOLITAN
RAILROAD COMPANY.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 19, 1887.

Ordered, That the Committee on Judiciary consider and report to the Common Council of what value is the equity of the City of Boston in the Metropolitan Railroad Company, and what are the best means of maintaining such equity; and whether it is advisable to purchase all the franchises, property, rights, and furniture of the said railroad company, pursuant to the provisions contained in the act passed by the Legislature of Massachusetts, being Section 7, Chapter 353, of the Acts of the year 1853.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, May 19, 1887.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary.

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 23, 1887.

The Committee on Judiciary, to whom was referred the order that said committee consider and report as to the value of the City of Boston's equity in the Metropolitan Railroad Co., having considered the subject, respectfully submit the Corporation Counsel's opinion on the subject.

For the Committee,

W. H. WHITMORE.

Chairman.

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE, 14 BEACON STREET,
BOSTON, June 4, 1887.

To the Judiciary Committee:—

GENTLEMEN.—Under your instructions the Assistant Clerk of Committees, under date of May 26, has submitted to me the following questions:—

“What rights has the City of Boston, under the charter of any horse-railroad company, to purchase the franchise property, and rights of such companies; also, how such rights would be affected by any act of the Legislature for the consolidation of two or more such railroad companies?”

I do not understand from this that the committee wish me to recite the statute provisions relating to every street-railway company having a location in the city; and I have not examined all the charters that have, from time to time, been granted. Most of the charters contain a provision giving to the city the right, at any time during the continuance of the charter, and after the expiration of ten years from the opening of any part of said road for use, to purchase all the franchise, property, rights, and furniture of said corporation which relates to or lies within the limits of the city, by paying said railroad company therefor such a sum as will remit to each person who may then be a stockholder therein the par value of his stock, together with a net profit of ten per cent. per annum from the time of the transfer of said stock to him, deducting the dividends received by said stockholders thereon. (See Sts., 1853, Ch. 353, §7; Sts. 1854, Ch. 434, §3; Sts. 1854, Ch. 444, §7.) As the question makes reference to no particular company, I can only answer in this general way. I shall be pleased, if the committee desire it, to examine and recite the precise provisions in regard to any particular railway company about which the committee may wish to be informed.

Referring to the latter part of the inquiry, I can only say

that the effect of any act of the Legislature upon the rights of the city will depend entirely upon the terms of such act. To what act do the committee refer?

Very respectfully,

E. P. NETTLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

CORPORATION COUNSEL'S OFFICE, 14 BEACON ST.,
BOSTON, JUNE 23, 1887.

W. H. WHITMORE, Esq.,

Chairman Judiciary Committee:—

DEAR SIR, — Having reference to your note of yesterday, I am of the opinion that all rights of the city to purchase the property and rights of the several street-railway companies within the limits of the city, according to the provisions of their charters, are continued in force by the provisions of Chapter 413 of the Acts of the present year, which is the West End Street Railway act to which you refer.

Very respectfully,

E. P. NETTLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 23, 1887.

Assigned to the next meeting, at 8 P.M., and ordered to be printed.

Attest:

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

CITY TREASURER'S
MONTHLY STATEMENT

AND FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1887-88.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, July 1, 1887.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR AND THE HONORABLE CITY
COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN,—The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and payments of the City of Boston for the month of June, 1887, and for the financial year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888, showing the balance of money remaining in the Treasury June 30, 1887, and where deposited.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer.

Balance, June 1, 1887 \$2,890,325 35

RECEIPTS IN JUNE, 1887.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$183,832 51	
From City Collector, on County Account	8,941 70	
	192,774 21	
Cochituate Water Loans, 3½% :—		
Additional Supply of Water (Basin No. 5)	\$35,000 00	
Protection of Water Supply	50,000 00	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate	40,000 00	
Extension of Mains, etc.,	150,000 00	
	275,000 00	
Suffolk County Loans :—		
Suffolk County Court-House, 3½%	800,000 00	
Premium on Loans negotiated	8,687 50	
Interest on Bank Deposits	7,887 94	
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds :—		
For payment of debt	5,000 00	
Pay-roll Tailings, from Paymasters, settlements with Cashier, parties unpaid	3,693 30	
	\$4,183,368 30	

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 3

PAYMENTS IN JUNE, 1887.

On Mayor's drafts :—		
General drafts		*\$233,206 32
Pay-roll drafts		424,019 39
Special drafts		828,522 39
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		†\$1,485,748 10
County of Suffolk :—		
Allowed by Auditor of the County of Suffolk	‡\$42,695 21	.
Mayor's Special Drafts	49,630 00	
Old claims	2 00	
	<hr/>	92,327 21
Liquor Licenses, proportion paid State of Massachusetts		43,019 50
City Debt, due prior to May 1, 1887		10,000 00
Board of Commissioners of Sinking- Funds :—		
Revenue, payable under authority of Ordinance on Finance		4,771 95
Old claims, Mayor's drafts, City account		631 37
Water-Rates refunded :—		
Cochituate Water	\$92 83	
Mystic Water	13 25	
	<hr/>	106 08
Taxes, costs, interest, etc., refunded		7 62
Pay-roll Tailings, payments by Cashier to parties not paid by Paymasters		1,467 42
		<hr/>
		<u>\$1,638,079 25</u>

* Amount of general draft through City Auditor's office for June	\$282,531 12
Less not paid	1,806 38
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Add paid on outstanding drafts for preceding months, from May 1, 1887	\$281,225 74
	1,980 58
	<hr/>
	\$233,206 32

† Includes City Debt paid . . \$5,000 00	† Includes Interest paid, as follows :—
	On City Debt
	On Cochituate Water Debt
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	\$102,781 67

‡ Amount of County Requisitions through County Auditor's office for June	\$43,087 64
Less not paid	443 48
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Add paid on requisitions for preceding months from May 1, 1887	\$42,624 16
	71 06
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	\$42,695 21

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, June 1, 1887	\$2,890,325 35
Receipts during June, 1887	1,293,042 95
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Payments during June, 1887	\$4,183,368 30
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Balance, June 30, 1887	<u>\$2,545,289 05</u>

STATEMENT

For the two months of the Financial Year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888:—

Balance on hand May 1, 1887, from the financial year 1886-87	\$4,080,681 09
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RECEIPTS.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$477,300 95	
From City Collector, on County Account	10,486 92	
	<hr/>	487,787 87
Suffolk County Loans:—		
Suffolk County Court-House 3½%		800,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans:—		
Additional Supply of Water, (Basin 5) 3½%	\$35,000 00	
Extension of Mains, etc., 3½%	150,000 00	
Protection of Water Supply, 3½%	50,000 00	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate, 3½%	40,000 00	
High Service, 4%	130,000 00	
	<hr/>	405,000 00
<i>Amount carried forward</i>		<u>\$5,773,468 96</u>

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 5

<i>at brought forward</i>	\$5,773,468 96	
ward of Commissioners of Sinking-		
ds: —		
ayment of debt	\$28,000 00	
nterments refunded	3,040 04	
		<u>31,040 04</u>
on Bank Deposits		16,898 92
on Loans negotiated		8,687 50
Tailings from Paymasters, settle-		
with Cashier, parties unpaid		5,634 66
		<u>\$5,835,730 08</u>

PAYMENTS.

er's drafts: —		
l drafts		*\$474,425 18
l drafts		1,063,136 66
l drafts		1,404,627 90
		<u>\$2,942,189 74</u>

f Suffolk: —		
d by Auditor of the		
ty of Suffolk	†\$75,487 40	
s special drafts	84,445 88	
ims	15 35	
		<u>159,948 63</u>
License Revenue, proportion paid		
f Massachusetts		135,533 00
f, Commissioners of Sinking-		
ds: —		
ne, payable under authority of		
nance on Finance		33,192 34
t, due prior to May 1, 1887		11,000 00
Tailings, payments by Cashier to		
not paid by Paymasters		3,613 52
nts, refunded		3,040 04
		<u>\$3,288,517 27</u>

general drafts through City Auditor's office from		
37	\$476,887 57	
not paid	1,462 39	
		<u>\$474,425 18</u>

ty Debt paid	\$28,000 00	† Includes Interest paid, as follows: —
		On City Debt
		On Cochituate Water Debt,
		On Mystic Water Debt
		<u>\$108,835 47</u>

County Requisitions through the County Auditor's		
n May 1, 1887	\$76,111 85	
not paid	624 45	
		<u>\$75,487 40</u>

<i>Amount brought forward,</i>	\$3,288,5
Sewer Assessments refunded	8
Old Claims, Mayor's draft, City Account	7

Water-Rates refunded: —

Cochituate Water	\$144 75
Mystic Water	51 25
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Residue Tax Sales
Taxes, costs, interest, etc., refunded
Paving Assessments, refunded

\$3,290,4

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, May 1, 1887	\$4,080,6
Receipts	1,755,0
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	\$5,835,7
Payments	3,290,4
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Balance, June 30, 1887	\$2,545,2

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 7

June 30, 1887, as per preceding statements, as follows:—

First National Bank	\$31,556 94
Mill National Bank	31,528 27
Central National Bank	31,528 24
Third National Bank	15,771 29
Fourth National Bank	31,520 82
Fifth National Bank	21,156 50
Sixth National Bank	31,542 54
Seventh National Bank	30,895 60
Eighth National Bank	31,520 76
Ninth National Bank	21,137 40
Tenth National Bank	21,152 06
Eleventh National Bank	15,712 69
Twelfth National Bank	15,769 20
Thirteenth National Bank	31,528 04
Fourteenth National Bank	15,720 39
Fifteenth National Bank	31,505 43
Sixteenth National Bank	31,521 38
Seventeenth National Bank	21,159 03
Bank of the Commonwealth	31,499 82
Bank of North America	31,525 16
City Bank	31,541 94
Exchange Bank	31,524 62
Hide & Leather Bank	31,525 23
Market Bank of Brighton	15,769 78
Rockland Bank	21,156 52
Security Bank	15,771 32
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	\$672,540 97
Bank of Redemption	275,584 87
National Bank	272,865 65
Commercial National Bank	315,795 62
Bank of the Republic	281,246 88
Revere Bank	602,584 31
Bank of Commerce, pay-roll tail- count	8,748 27
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	\$2,429,366 57
Cash vouchers in office, including payments made on July Draft	115,922 48
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	<u>\$2,545,289 05</u>

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

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TOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

FOR 1887-88.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, July 5, 1887.

HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL:—

MEMEN, — The undersigned, in compliance with Section 3, Revised Ordinances, herewith presents of the General and Special Appropriations for the financial year of 1887-88, as shown in the books since, July 1, 1887, including the July draft, — three months' payments of the financial year, — the original appropriations, the balances brought from the year 1886-87, the amount drawn July total expenditures, and the balance of each appropriation unexpended at that date.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

APPROPRIATIONS.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
Advertising			\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	\$410 80	\$677 90	\$822 10	
Architect's Department			25,500 00	25,500 00	1,894 77	6,139 46	17,360 31	
Armory			27,000 00	27,000 00	6,658 99	6,999 92	20,000 38	
Assessor's Department			114,000 00	114,000 00	26,685 34	37,853 29	76,146 71	
Auditor's Department			24,200 00	24,200 00	1,856 64	5,357 86	16,342 12	
Board of Health			70,000 00	70,000 00	9,047 22	18,849 31	51,150 69	
Evergreen Cemetery	\$12 00	\$282 00	1,500 00	1,774 00	211 00	701 84	1,072 16	
Public Baths			16,000 00	16,000 00	2,384 45	3,805 09	12,194 91	
Quarantine Department			16,000 00	16,000 00	4,306 25	8,302 43	7,697 57	
Boston Harbor			5,000 00	5,000 00	454 42	857 34	4,142 66	
Bridges:—								
Albany-st. Bridge	14,639 81		92,000 00	92,000 00	9,445 32	18,595 76	73,404 24	\$7,265 80
Cambridge-st. Bridge, Alston	45,000 00			14,839 81	165 00	585 66	14,354 15	
Congress-st. Bridge			13,200 00	45,000 00			45,000 00	
Mt. Washington Ave. Bridge			9,680 00	13,200 00			13,200 00	
New Bridge to Cambridge				9,680 00			9,680 00	
Warren Bridge	508 06			9,580 00			304 06	
Cedar Grove Cemetery	15,718 82			15,718 42			15,718 42	
City Clerk's Department	952 25	2,500 00		3,452 25	1,578 41	3,445 41	6 87	
City Debt			21,000 00	21,000 00	1,601 70	4,688 25	16,311 75	
City Loans, Redemption of		28,000 00	749,107 00	749,107 00			749,107 00	
Revenue from Commissioners				23,000 00				
Revenue from Commissioners								
Sinking Funds								
Redemption of City Debt								
Redemption of City Debt								
Redemption of Cochuato					45,000 00			
Water Debt								
Redemption of Mystic Water Debt								
Cost of Redemption of matured bonds								
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$76,850 67	\$30,782 00	\$1,183,087 00	\$1,291,379 57	\$110,168 11	\$185,389 47	\$1,146,990 10	\$379,047 38

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on income building and works, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$76,980 57	\$30,762 00	\$1,183,687 00	\$1,291,379 57	\$110,158 11	\$185,389 47	\$1,145,990 10	\$379,047 38
City Hospital			180,000 00	180,000 00	15,964 80	43,643 86	136,156 64	
City Hospital	27,182 85		5,000 00	82,182 85	3,626 00	6,774 80	25,358 35	84,611 65
Building for Contagious Cases			7,375 00	7,375 00			7,375 00	
Building for Contagious Cases, Furnishing	19,000 00			19,000 00			19,000 00	
Building for Out-Patients			10,862 00	10,862 00	1,430 14	3,077 26	16,774 74	
City Messenger's Department			13,640 00	13,640 00	729 93	1,606 25	11,843 75	
City Registrar's Department			52,500 00	54,500 00	3,985 16	12,011 21	42,488 79	
Collector's Department		2,000 00						
Common and Public Grounds:—								
Common, etc.	480 00		60,000 00	60,480 00	11,985 54	29,136 33	31,313 67	
Commonwealth Avenue, Loan for Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00	973 27	1,417 98	1,582 02	
Improvement of Independence Square	285 12			285 12	100 00	286 12		
Play-Grounds			500 00	500 00			500 00	
Public Garden Bridge	884 45			884 45	635 00	635 00	249 45	
Street Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00	42 50		2,957 50	
Tudor Bequest	500 00			500 00		153 16	346 84	
Contingent Funds, viz.:—								
Joint Committees			6,000 00	6,000 00	3,038 78	3,939 53	2,060 47	
Mayor			1,500 00	1,500 00	176 50	154 00	1,346 00	
Board of Aldermen			9,000 00	9,000 00	1,147 19	2,420 34	6,579 96	
Common Council			10,000 00	10,000 00	1,827 06	3,001 86	6,998 14	
County of Suffolk:—								
County Debt			450,000 00	450,000 00	43,176 55	118,023 97	331,976 03	
County Interest			17,000 00	17,000 00			17,000 00	
County Property			59,735 00	59,735 00			59,735 00	
Suffolk County Court-House †		701,008 75		701,008 75	50,460 98	86,579 99	614,437 76	1,043,562 24
Damages by dogs								
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$125,182 99	\$733,170 75	\$2,081,549 00	\$2,040,502 74	\$249,337 91	\$493,382 83	\$2,462,119 91	\$1,457,251 27

† Transferred from Coochituate Water-Works revenue, \$2,000. ‡ Loans authorized, \$3,350,000; loans negotiated, \$1,650,000; premium on loans, \$8,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$125,182 90	\$783,770 75	\$2,081,848 00	\$2,940,502 74	\$249,337 91	\$498,382 83	\$2,482,119 91	\$1,457,251 27
Deeds, Real Estate Advertising, etc.	3,718 80	1,003 75		4,717 55	283 50	2,307 98	2,409 37	
East Boston Ferries			208,000 00	208,000 00	13,228 43	33,085 82	174,914 18	
New Ferry Boat	36,507 50		38,507 50	38,507 50	11,320 00	16,854 00	20,183 50	27,846 50
New Ferry South Ferry, East Boston			15,000 00	15,000 00			15,000 00	
Engineer's Department			33,000 00	33,000 00	2,685 59	7,575 36	28,424 61	
Executive Department			21,500 00	21,500 00	1,665 87	4,925 57	16,574 43	
Fire Department.—								
Fire Department	778,955 00		778,955 00	778,955 00	132,944 15	190,152 60	588,802 40	
Fire Alarm Telegraph	31,003 00		31,003 00	31,003 00	2,389 84	4,423 86	28,614 14	
Flags, Pipes, and Stakes	1,300 26		1,300 26	1,300 26			1,300 26	
Health Department			525,000 00	525,000 00	42,516 52	95,614 05	429,385 95	
Improved Sewerage.—								
Construction	35,275 91	760 00		36,035 91	599 71	8,978 14	32,052 77	5,380,310 10
Maintenance			70,800 00	70,800 00	8,975 04	1,758 58	58,083 41	
Incidental Expenses			40,000 00	40,000 00	4,259 77	25,811 95	14,188 05	
Inspection of Buildings			60,000 00	60,000 00	4,153 17	8,343 68	41,656 32	
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar			9,000 00	9,000 00	863 15	2,248 47	6,751 53	
Inspection of Provisions			2,200 00	2,200 00	168 84	1,408,842 53	1,408,673 69	
Interest			1,500,000 00	1,500,000 00	101,404 87	102,560 47	1,408,435 53	
Lamp Department			575,000 00	575,000 00	40,831 37	114,800 48	460,168 54	
Law Department			25,500 00	25,500 00	1,888 16	6,831 57	17,668 43	
Liquor License Expenses		198,621 00		198,621 00		141,098 64	428,003 36	
Board of Police					2,578 60			
City Clerk's Department	\$5,600 10							
Collector's Department	163 00				65 00			
Treasurer's Department	7 32				43,019 50			
Paid State proportion of receipts, 1886-87	490 25				389 20			
Retained								
Long Island	4,516 17	14 80		4,530 97			4,530 02	164,600 00
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$576,873 17	\$934,160 35	\$6,065,642 26	\$7,576,675 78	\$664,872 03	\$1,373,621 90	\$6,343,053 88	\$7,190,007 93

1 Transferred from Police Department, \$1,990.96
 2 Total appropriations for construction, \$5,479,862.93; transferred August, 1876, by authority of an order of July 17, from Reserved Fund, \$40,000; loans authorized \$8,433,000; loans repaid, \$5,830,000, and revenue, \$6,862.93; transferred to Sewer between Crescent avenue and Greenwich street, \$63,000; transferred from Construction to Maintenance, \$2,500.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$576,873 17	\$634,160 35	\$6,045,642 26	\$7,576,675 78	\$664,872 03	\$1,273,621 90	\$6,343,053 88	\$7,630,007 93
Markets . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	9,900 00	9,900 00	781 91	2,383 34	7,616 66	
Mount Hope Cemetery:—								
Running expenses, etc.	3,597 15	4,037 25	10,000 00	17,634 40	5,119 75	11,463 21	6,171 19	
Removal of Graves, etc. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	2,000 00	2,000 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	2,000 00	
Overseers of the Poor . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	115,000 00	115,000 00	7,042 02	12,600 65	102,399 35	
Park Department:—								
Park Department . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	6,500 00	6,500 00	413 80	1,330 50	6,169 50	
Covered Channel, Muddy River	253 42	. . . . .	. . . . .	253 42	6 80	. . . . .	246 62	148,463 38
Franklin Park	86,344 84	. . . . .	. . . . .	86,344 84	321,810 12	401,183 26	481,833 42	1,414,838 42
Muddy River Improvement	104,148 88	. . . . .	. . . . .	104,148 88	4,000 00	4,000 00	100,148 88	
Parks, Maintenance	1,371 69	196 00	15,000 00	16,567 69	1,226 73	2,042 17	14,525 52	99,861 12
Park Nursery . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5,000 00	5,000 00	383 00	766 52	4,233 48	
Public Park, Back Bay	6,639 57	. . . . .	. . . . .	6,639 57	. . . . .	. . . . .	6,639 57	
Public Park, Construction	483,714 87	. . . . .	. . . . .	483,714 87	25,023 65	45,523 54	435,191 33	459,390 43
Paving Department:—								
Paving Department . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	850,000 00	850,000 00	106,166 03	179,427 58	670,572 42	
A-Street Repaving ¹	4,111 14	. . . . .	. . . . .	4,111 14	. . . . .	. . . . .	4,111 14	
Boylston-st. Bridge, Construction of . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	35,000 00	35,000 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	35,000 00	
Humboldt Avenue	1,479 97	. . . . .	. . . . .	1,479 97	. . . . .	27 12	1,452 85	34,547 15
Linden Park ²	5,356 04	. . . . .	. . . . .	5,356 04	945 25	5,356 04	. . . . .
Ninth-Street Grading	202 25	. . . . .	. . . . .	202 25	. . . . .	202 25	. . . . .
Q Street	10,966 04	. . . . .	. . . . .	10,966 04	1,443 00	3,589 75	7,366 29	12,683 71
Removal and care of snow . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	50,000 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	
Stable, Brighton . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	5,000 00	5,000 00	424 57	731 67	4,268 33	
Street Improvements, East Boston	26,996 54	. . . . .	. . . . .	26,996 54	2,199 23	4,727 82	22,268 72	17,731 28
Washington Street, between Forest Hills Station and Abland Street	37,007 68	. . . . .	. . . . .	37,007 68	4,351 96	8,515 29	28,482 39	13,507 61
Wharf, Paving Department . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	50,000 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,349,062 75	\$638,393 60	\$7,219,042 26	\$9,506,498 61	\$1,146,179 87	\$1,990,299 41	\$7,901,027 82	\$9,230,931 08

² Transferred to A-Street Repaving, \$4,111.14.

¹ Transferred from Linden Park, \$4,111.14.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurers' payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$9,280,931 03
Phillips Street Fund,	\$1,349,652 75	\$938,383 60	\$7,219,042 26	\$9,506,488 61	\$1,146,179 87	\$1,960,299 41	\$7,901,027 62	
Police Department,	5,108 16		1,088,609 74	5,108 16	84,793 48	181,271 00	5,108 16	
Printing and Stationery (general)	4,727 61	1,282 75	47,900 00	53,010 36	4,430 00	10,038 78	42,976 58	
Public Buildings:—								
Public Buildings			115,000 00	115,000 00	20,822 33	44,731 81	70,268 19	
City Building, Beacon Street	3,388 79			3,388 79	1,139 03	3,213 96	174 83	
Engine-House, Brighton	22,846 80			22,846 80	2,108 62	3,277 09	19,568 71	
Engine-House, Charlestown	237 90		3,000 00	3,237 90	761 25	1,080 01	2,207 89	4,486 29
Engine-House, No. 6:—								24,792 11
Site	8,250 00			8,250 00			8,250 00	21,750 00
Building			25,000 00	25,000 00		12 00	24,988 00	
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	5,334 52			5,334 52	95 00	2,852 39	2,482 13	43,620 13
Ladder House and Site, Southside	22,000 00			22,000 00	4,002 16	5,837 27	16,662 73	
Library Building, Dartmouth Street	368,554 89			368,554 89			368,554 89	
Police Station-house, Charlestown	19,947 92			19,947 92	6,153 31	8,364 44	11,583 45	81,145 11
Public Celebrations-house, Boylston Street		365 64		20,365 64	3,463 89	8,468 89	11,901 75	48,416 62
Public Institutions, viz.:—								
House of Industry			185,000 00	185,000 00	25,084 41	50,569 70	134,437 30	
House of Correction			90,000 00	90,000 00	10,835 33	34,171 58	55,828 42	
Lunatic Hospital	60,000 00		60,000 00	60,000 00	3,904 46	14,248 84	45,751 16	
Marble-Street Home	42,625 00		42,625 00	42,625 00	4,462 52	13,979 85	28,645 05	
Asylum for the Insane, Austin Farm			30,000 00	30,000 00			30,000 00	
Alms-house, Charlestown			17,308 00	17,308 00	2,951 12	6,851 94	10,456 06	
Home for Paupers, Long Island:—								
Maintenance			45,000 00	45,000 00	2,293 83	7,773 30	37,226 70	
Conscience	22,256 25			22,256 25	613 14	6,549 03	19,676 20	72,823 90
pauper Expenses			143,000 00	143,000 00	1,936 29		108,161 80	
Steamer "J. F. Farnham Bradlee"			18,125 00	18,125 00	3,742 64	7,569 95	10,466 02	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,831,979 57	\$940,041 99	\$9,148,706 00	\$11,920,726 56	\$1,329,708 67	\$2,406,513 67	\$9,870,051 41	\$9,627,914 99

Transferred to Flags, ropes, and stakes, \$1,300.26. Transferred from Wharves, Long Island, \$4,500.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$9,527,914 90
Office Expenses	\$1,531,979 57	\$940,041 99	\$9,148,745 00	\$11,920,728 56	\$1,329,708 67	\$2,405,513 57	\$9,370,031 41	
Alms-house, Charlestown, Repairs			8,905 00	8,905 00	638 30	1,999 88	6,965 12	
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm, Repairs			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Fences, Lunatic Hospital Grounds			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
Marcella-street Home, Improvements			6,000 00	6,000 00	6 00	6 00	2,994 00	
Wharves, Long Island 1	7,589 90			6,400 00			6,000 00	
Public Lands			3,000 00	7,589 90	2,184 10	2,248 74	5,341 12	14,658 88
Public Library		552 80	115,552 80	115,552 80	8,442 78	25,608 79	2,993 76	
Record Commissioners			5,000 00	5,000 00	294 00	567 60	4,432 40	
Record of Street Names	500 00			500 00			500 00	
Registration of Voters and Election Expenses					3,062 91	6,034 90	23,965 01	
Election Expenses			13,000 00	13,000 00	10 00	48 50	12,951 41	
Reserved Fund 2			61,012 84	61,012 84			61,012 84	
Koxbury Canal Improvements 3			1,987 16	1,987 16	1,987 16	1,987 16		
Salaries			11,000 00	11,000 00	898 20	2,720 64	8,279 36	
Schools and School-houses, viz.:—								
School Instructors			1,242,088 00	1,242,088 00	197,781 79	397,044 28	845,043 72	
Salaries Officers, School Committee			57,760 00	57,760 00	9,484 67	18,951 33	38,808 67	
School Expenses, School Committee			240,000 00	240,000 00	12,592 12	45,541 44	194,458 56	
Gibson School Fund, Income	1,503 87			1,503 87	57 50	374 56	1,129 29	
School-houses, Public Buildings			175,000 00	175,000 00	10,478 71	23,924 35	151,075 62	
Andrew School-house Yard	1,800 00			1,800 00			1,800 00	
Cushman School-house, Heating, etc. 4			8,000 00	8,000 00			8,000 00	
Everett School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00			8,000 00	
Franklin School-house, Water-Closets			3,000 00	3,000 00			3,000 00	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,843,373 84	\$940,594 79	\$11,146,458 00	\$13,930,426 13	\$1,577,998 91	\$2,932,573 25	\$11,352,691 30	\$9,542,573 87

1 Transferred to Home for Paupers, Long Island, \$1,500.
 2 Transferred to Cushman School-house, Heating, etc., \$3,000.
 3 Transferred to Cushman Canal Improvement, \$1,987.16.
 4 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$3,000.

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APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, Including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,843,373 34	\$940,594 79	\$11,146,458 79	\$13,930,428 13	\$1,577,598 91	\$2,932,573 25	\$11,352,891 30	\$9,542,873 87
Grammar School-house, Bennett District, Furnishing	1,298 67	..	..	1,298 67	..	..	1,298 67	..
Grammar School-houses, Carmins District	562 73	..	6,000 00	6,562 73	1,143 04	4,581 71	1,971 02	123,028 98
Grammar School-house, Dudley street	27,669 13	..	..	27,669 14	1,508 75	3,384 26	24,274 88	100,725 12
Grammar School-houses, Dudley street, furnishing . . . . .	..	..	7,000 00	7,000 00	..	..	7,000 00	..
Grammar School-house, South Boston	90,000 00	..	15,000 00	105,000 00	..	30,000 00	75,000 00	..
High School-house, Roxbury	90,000 00	..	50,000 00	140,000 00	..	..	140,000 00	..
Horace Mann School-house	58,000 00	..	..	58,000 00	96 38	136 46	54,863 54	..
Primary School-house, Ahmout	5,000 00	..	..	5,000 00	..	..	5,000 00	..
Primary School-house, Blossom street . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Site	10,051 12	..	..	10,051 12	..	..	10,051 12	107,948 88
Building \$40,794 04 67,154 84	426 49	..	..	426 49	..	..	426 49	47,729 26
Primary School-house, Harrison avenue	2,822 15	..	..	2,822 15	286 02	686 02	2,236 13	13,763 87
Primary School-house, Prescott District . . . . .	..	..	4,000 00	4,000 00	..	..	4,000 00	..
Rice School-house, Water-closets . . . . .	..	..	10,936 00	10,936 00	964 73	1,832 27	9,103 73	..
Saler of Weights and Measures . . . . .	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Sewer Department.—	..	..	150,000 00	150,000 00	12,981 12	37,511 56	112,488 44	69,340 99
Sewers, Ahmout District	45,298 60	..	..	45,298 60	4,321 65	11,608 69	33,699 91	29,634 90
Sewers, Beacon street, etc.	4,365 10	..	..	4,365 10	..	..	4,365 10	81,643 65
Sewers, Brighton	25,440 48	..	..	25,440 48	2,500 50	7,124 13	18,316 35	7,162 48
Sewers, Charlestown	5,071 05	..	..	5,071 05	1,460 57	2,259 51	2,837 54	33,397 11
Sewers, City Proper	27,862 43	..	..	27,862 43	1,022 43	1,259 56	26,602 89	126,342 46
Sewer bet. Crescent ave. and Greenwich st.	7,904 92	..	..	7,904 92	1,891 64	2,947 38	4,957 54	164,621 97
Sewers, Dorchester	378 03	..	..	378 03	..	..	378 03	21,076 54
Sewers, East Boston	36,002 44	..	..	36,002 44	3,642 90	7,078 98	29,923 46	48,439 80
Sewers, Roxbury	3,518 61	..	..	3,518 61	440 99	1,648 41	1,869 20	47,245 11
Sewers, South Boston	6,343 13	..	..	6,343 13	722 93	2,546 34	2,766 89	54,247 27
Sewers, West Roxbury	27,358 25	..	..	27,358 25	3,163 40	8,692 51	18,753 74	10,607,159 34
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,314,710 70	\$940,594 79	\$11,389,394 00	\$14,644,999 49	\$1,614,622 25	\$3,056,020 94	\$11,943,016 97	

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
Sinking Fund Commissioners	\$2,314,710 70	\$940,594 79	\$11,389,394 00	\$14,644,099 49	\$1,014,422 25	\$3,056,020 04	\$11,943,516 97	\$10,607,159 84
Soldiers' Relief			2,500 00	2,500 00	177 00	538 50	1,961 50	
Stony Brook Improvement	75,662 72			75,662 72	8,084 03	24,546 00	61,116 72	
Surveyor's Department	687 75		9,000 00	9,687 75	519 47	806 12	8,881 63	350,246 77
Treasurer's Department			32,000 00	32,000 00	2,463 50	7,294 80	24,705 20	
Water Works:			38,000 00	38,000 00	2,923 24	8,779 73	29,220 27	
Cochituate Water Works ²	221,620 11	27,200 07		248,820 18		288,500 54	(\$38,680.36 provided for.)	
Running expenses					23,990 44			
Interest					1,325 00			
Refunded					82 83			
Sinking Fund								
Additional Supply of Water ³	22,926 56	35,000 00		57,926 56	884 60	1,410 62	56,515 94	6,486,370 86
Extension of Main, etc. ⁴	173,622 25	150,000 00		323,622 25	33,904 11	66,718 82	256,903 43	
High Services	258,553 84	130,000 00		388,553 84	14,118 02	21,571 94	366,981 90	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate		40,000 00		40,000 00			40,000 00	
Inspection of Mews and Inspection:—								
Cochituate Water Works	65,385 54			65,385 54		5,501 83	69,884 23	
Myatic Water Works	993 44			993 44		2 53	990 91	
Protection of Water Supply		50,000 00		50,000 00			50,000 00	
Myatic Water Works	38,418 84	6,939 73		45,358 57		63,538 87	(\$18,180.30 provided for.)	
Running expenses					2,443 97			
Interest								
Proportions paid under con.								
Refunded								
Sinking Fund					10,510 23			
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,172,381 77	\$1,379,734 59	\$11,470,894 00	\$16,023,010 36	\$1,715,871 91	\$3,545,230 74	\$12,890,478 70	\$17,798,995 07

¹ Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$9,000.
² Total appropriations, \$6,542,886.50; loans negotiated, premiums on said loans, and transfer from Reserved Fund, \$6,542,886.50.
³ Loans authorized, \$650,000; loans negotiated, \$650,000.
⁴ Loans authorized, \$766,000; loan negotiated, \$722,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONCLUDED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	July Draft, including Treasurer's payments in June.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expended on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including July Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,172,381 77	\$1,379,734 59	\$11,470,804 00	\$16,023,010 36	\$1,716,871 91	\$3,545,230 74	\$12,860,478 70	\$17,798,995 07
West Boston and other Bridges			8,200 00	8,200 00	1,172 35	2,912 24	5,587 76	
Widening and Extending Streets:—								
Widening Streets			50,000 00	50,000 00	1,196 10	4,628 82	45,871 18	
Arvon Place Extension	2,000 00			2,000 00			2,000 00	
Beacon Street and Brookline Avenue, Rail- ing Grade	85,821 62			85,821 62	6,880 00	80,837 50	4,884 12	483,906 70
Boylston Street Extension	140,474 24			140,474 24	35,234 66	40,557 54	99,916 70	50,083 30
Commonwealth Avenue			125,000 00	125,000 00			125,000 00	
Hanover Street Widening	19,788 00			19,788 00			19,788 00	
Harrison Avenue Widening	19,500 00			19,500 00	10,270 00	10,270 00	230 00	19,212 00
Humboldt Avenue Extension	12,735 00			12,735 00	4,970 00	4,970 00	7,765 00	37,233 00
Kneeland Place Extension	10,149 08			10,149 08			10,149 08	
Massachusetts Avenue:—								
Land	15,738 00			15,738 00			15,738 00	39,292 00
Building Roadway								140,000 00
Stanford Street Extension	69,804 45			69,804 45			69,804 45	95,163 55
Talbot Avenue	25,000 00			25,000 00			25,000 00	
Ward Street	1,075 00			1,075 00			1,075 00	5,928 00
Webster Street	33,840 00			33,840 00		8,400 00	25,440 00	34,390 00
Widening Commercial Street	1,796 83			1,796 83			1,796 83	487,703 17
	\$3,601,103 99	\$1,379,734 59	\$11,654,094 00	\$16,634,932 88	\$1,775,595 92	\$3,697,606 84	\$13,350,924 82	\$19,184,928 71
						Less prov. for	412,699 08	
							\$12,937,325 74	

1 Total appropriations, \$488,790.82; appropriation, \$100,000; transfers, \$38,790.82; loan authorized and negotiated, \$350,000.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 21.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE CHIEF
INSPECTOR OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the chief inspector of the police department, by inserting the words "five hundred" after the word "thousand" in said clause.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 20, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,

President.

Approved July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

Y OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 22.
CONCERNING THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNT
HOPE CEMETERY.

Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

FINANCE CONCERNING THE TRUSTEES OF MOUNT
HOPE CEMETERY.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

1. Chapter forty-seven of the Revised Ordinance of 1885, as amended by chapter forty-two of the Ordinances of 1886, is hereby amended by adding to section 1 the words "any subordinate officer in any department, before the approval of the head of such department, be secretary of said board of trustees."

2. The salary of such secretary shall be five dollars per annum, to be paid out of the general fund for the department.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 20, 1887.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

Read.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Read July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

True copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

Y OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 23.

URNING THE SALARY OF THE IN-
SPECTOR OF PAWNBROKERS.

Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

ANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

acted by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of
ereby amended in section one by striking out the
ating to the salary of the inspector of pawnbrokers.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 20, 1887.

ed. Sent down for concurrence.

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

urred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

proved July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON.



**ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 24.
REGULATING THE NUMBER OF ASSISTANT
CITY MESSENGERS.**

of the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

**ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER ELEVEN OF THE
REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.**

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter eleven of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in the second line of section two by striking out the word "three," and inserting in place thereof the word "four."

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 27, 1887.

Resolved. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

Resolved. Concurred.

D. J. BARRY,
President.

Approved July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

Attest: true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

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CITY OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 25.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE
FOURTH ASSISTANT MESSENGER.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one by inserting, after the clause relating to the third assistant messenger, the following words: "The fourth assistant messenger, six hundred dollars."

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 27, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 26.

REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE SUPERINTENDENT OF SEWERS.

of the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the superintendent of sewers, by striking the words "three thousand five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "five thousand."

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect on its passage.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 27, 1887.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

Read.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Adopted July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

True copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 27.

ORDER CONCERNING COMPLAINTS UNDER THE
ORDINANCE RELATIVE TO THE
PRODUCTS OF PETROLEUM.

of the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FIFTY-TWO OF THE
REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter fifty-two, section six, of the Revised Ordinances of 1885, as amended by chapter thirty-six of the Revised Ordinances of 1886, is hereby further amended by striking the word "of" at the beginning of the fourth line of said section and inserting the word "in" in place thereof. Also by inserting after the word "Boston," in said fourth line, the words "having jurisdiction."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 27, 1887.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 30, 1887.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

July 2, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

FIRST SEMIANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

INSPECTORS OF PRISONS AND
HOUSES OF DETENTION

IN

SUFFOLK COUNTY.

JUNE, 1887.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 11, 1887.

Special Committee of the Board of Aldermen appointed to visit the jail and other houses of detention in Suffolk County, and to make the examinations and inspections required by law, having attended to that duty, submit the following semiannual report.

JAIL.

The committee visited the institution, and found that, on July 11, it contained 153 inmates, — 123 males, 30 females. The institution was found to be in excellent condition, the inmates well fed and comfortably cared for, and all who were interviewed declared themselves satisfied with the treatment received. Most reports of this nature, which have been submitted of late years, have called attention to the need of new windows for the jail. The sashes are old, and are rotten, and little else than putty holding the frames together, these frames having been put in about 38 years ago. Your committee would recommend that the means be provided for placing new windows in the jail.

MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

The committee visited this institution, and found that the number of inmates, June 30, was 377, — 240 boys, 137 girls. The institution was in first-class condition, the food plentiful and of good quality, and the children happy and contented. A new laundry is very rapidly approaching completion, as recommended by the committee of this Board in December last, and a stand-pipe for fire purposes is also rapidly nearing completion, so that every precaution against fire will have been taken. The quarantine building is working well, and when necessary heating apparatus has been introduced will be found to be an important adjunct to the Home. The health of the children was excellent, and the Superintendent was happy to report that there was not a case of sore eyes in the Home.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The committee visited and inspected the House of Correction, and found the number of inmates on June 30 to be 479, — males 410, females 69. Good order and cleanliness prevailed throughout the institution. The food is plain and of good quality, and satisfactory to the inmates. The only subjects that seemed to your committee should be remedied, were the building of a female wing, so that the women could be placed in cells instead of in dormitories, as at present, which would also furnish a place to isolate refractory women, as at present there is no place to put them except in the hospital, where they disturb the sick with their noise and disturbance; another thing which should be remedied as speedily as possible is the present hospital, it being, in the opinion of your committee, entirely inadequate; another story should be added to the hospital-building, which would enable the very sick to sleep in a dormitory instead of a close, confined cell as at present. The health of the inmates is generally good, and will compare favorably with any similar institution.

LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

When your committee visited the Lunatic Hospital they found it, like every insane asylum in the country, very much overcrowded. The number of inmates, June 30, was 248, — the largest number ever in the institution; of these, 125 were males, and 123 females. Everything is done that can be for these unfortunates; extensive repairs were made last year on the male side in the sanitary arrangements, and are

being duplicated this year on the female side; when completed, everything will be as comfortable as can be expected in a building capable of caring for 175 people, and forced to accommodate 248. It is hoped that some relief may be obtained when Austin Farm is vacated.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY, HOUSE OF REFORMATION, AND
TRUANT-SCHOOL.

The committee visited Deer Island and found the institutions in their usual well-managed condition. The number of inmates on June 30 was: House of Industry, men 695, women 225, total 920; in House of Reformation: boys 57, girls 3, total 60; in the Truant-School: 92 boys, — making a total of 1,072 sentenced people. The present building is not large enough for the number of people at present confined here, and in the near future means must be provided for enlarging the male wing of the prison. The boys are kept at school, and the able-bodied men and women are employed at some kind of labor. The food was found to be plain, good, and in sufficient quantity, and the general health of the inmates was good.

JOHN H. LEE,
CHARLES H. ALLEN,
JOHN H. SULLIVAN,
Committee of Inspectors.

APPENDIX.

SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL,
BOSTON, June 30, 1887.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for Suffolk County:—

GENTLEMEN,— At the date of your inspection, December 19, 1886, the number of prisoners in custody was:—

Males, 99; Females, 31
Number committed from December 19, 1886, to June 30,
1887, Males, 1,376; Females, 278

Total
Number discharged from December 19, 1886, to June 30,
1887, Males, 1,352; Females, 279

Remaining in custody, June, 1887:—
Males, 123; Females, 30

Number of persons committed for debt
“ debtors discharged
“ debtors now in custody

There has been 1 death: Ellen O'Connor *alias* Winnegras died March 18, 1887, of apoplexy. Your attention is called to the condition of the large windows of the Jail, which are sadly in need of repair.

JOHN B. O'BRIEN
Sheriff and Keeper of the Jail in Suffolk County

MARCELLA-STREET HOME,
BOSTON HIGHLANDS, June 30, 1887.

To the Committee on Inspection of Prisons:—

GENTLEMEN,— The following is a report of the commitments and discharges since my last report to your committee:—

Number remaining Jan. 1, 1887
Number admitted from Jan. 1 to June 30
Number discharged “ “ “
Number remaining June 30, 1887

Respectfully,

A. B. HEATH,
Superintendent

HOUSE OF CORRECTION,

BOSTON, MASS., JUNE 30, 1887.

Inspectors of Prisons and Houses of Detention in the County of Suffolk:—

MEMEN, — The committee visited the institution, June 30,

the number of prisoners remaining, Dec. 19, 1886:—

411; Females, 76; total, 487.

admitted from Dec. 19, 1886, to June 30, 1887:—

558; Females, 68; total, 626.

admitted from Dec. 19, 1886, to June 30, 1887:—

559; Females 75; total, 634.

at June 30, 1887:—

410; Females, 69; total, 479.

expired on expiration of sentence 546

and costs 32

expired by order of Municipal Court 22

expired on probation by Directors 15

expired to Lunatic Hospital 9

expired on surety 5

expired by Governor 3

expired to the Massachusetts Reformatory at Concord, 1

— During the past six months but 3 deaths have occurred and the inmates of the Institution have enjoyed good health generally.

— A sufficient quantity of food has been furnished, and of good quality.

— *Discipline.* — In regard to the discipline of the Institution, it is the same as in last report.

— Inmates who are able are employed in the manufacturing and the general duties pertaining to the institution. The average number during the past six months has been 470.

Very respectfully.

GEORGE S. CHRISTIE,

Deputy Master.

BOSTON LUNATIC HOSPITAL,

BOSTON, June 30, 1887.

Inspectors of Prisons and Houses of Detention:—

MEMEN, — The statistics of this hospital are as follows:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
in hospital Dec. 19, 1886	112	119	231
admitted since	28	24	52
number treated	140	143	283
discharged	15	20	35
remaining	125	123	248

Of those discharged there were:—

	Males.	Females.	Total.
Recovered	6	5	11
Much improved	3	1	4
Unimproved	2	1	3
Transferred	2	6	8
Died	2	7	9

Causes of death: senile dementia, 3; general paralysis, 2; tumor, phthisis, meningitis, and suicide, each 1. Total, 9.

The admissions have continued as numerous as ever, while the discharges and deaths have diminished. The number in hospital has increased in six months from 231 to 248, which is the largest number ever treated here, and at least 60 more than we can well accommodate. The expected relief from the opening of Austin Farm has not come yet.

Very respectfully,

THEO. W. FISHER,
Superintendent.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, DEER ISLAND,

BOSTON HARBOR, June 30, 1887.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for Suffolk County:—

GENTLEMEN,— Following is a report of commitments to and discharges from the House of Industry, House of Reformation, and Truant-School, from December 24, 1886, to June 30, 1887, inclusive.

House of Industry:—

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Remaining December 24, 1886	751	237	988
Committed since	3,698	894	4,592
	4,449	1,131	5,580
Discharged since	3,754	906	4,660
Remaining June 30, 1887	695	225	920

House of Reformation:—

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Remaining December 24, 1886	74	8	82
Committed since	25	1	26
	99	9	108
Discharged since	42	6	48
	57	3	60

	Total.
Truant-School: —	
Remaining December 24, 1886	114
Committed since	60
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	174
Discharged since	82
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Remaining June 30, 1887	92

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. WHITON,

Superintendent.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

BOSTON CONSOLIDATED STREET
RAILWAY.

THIRD LOCATION.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

The Committee on Railroads, to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company for the right to construct curved tracks in Haymarket square, at the corner of Beverly and Causeway streets, and at the corner of Prince and Causeway streets, connecting the tracks of this company with the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Causeway street; also for the right to enter upon and use the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Causeway street, between Beverly and Prince streets, having considered the subject, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying order.

For the Committee,

S. J. CAPEN,

Chairman.

Ordered, That in addition to the rights heretofore granted the Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company, to lay down tracks in the streets of the City of Boston, said company shall have the right to lay down a curved track in Haymarket square to connect the Sudbury-street track with the track in Canal street in said square; also to lay down curved tracks at the corner of Prince and Causeway streets, to connect the tracks of this company with the tracks of the

Metropolitan Railroad Company in Causeway street; also to enter upon and use, with its horses and cars, the tracks of the Metropolitan Railroad Company in Causeway street, between Beverly and Prince streets, said tracks and turn-outs being shown by red lines on a plan made by Arthur Hodges, dated May 28, 1887, and deposited in the office of the Superintendent of Streets.

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order is upon condition that the whole work of laying the same, the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by him. Also upon condition that said Boston Consolidated Street Railway Company shall accept this order of location, and shall agree, in writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained, and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this order; otherwise it shall be null and void.

Passed.

Approved by the Mayor July 8, 1887.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 19.

CONCERNING SALARIES OF THE BOARD
OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause establishing the salaries of the Board of Fire Commissioners, by striking out the words "three thousand dollars," and inserting the words "three thousand five hundred dollars" in place thereof.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon its passage.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 23, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 23, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved June 25, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 20.

REGULATIONS CONCERNING THE CARE AND CUSTODY
OF CITY FLAGS, ROPES, AND STAKES.

of the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE IN RELATION TO THE CARE AND CUSTODY
OF CITY FLAGS, ROPES, AND STAKES.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

- SECTION 1. The City Messenger shall have the care and custody of the flags belonging to City Hall.
- SECTION 2. The Superintendent of Public Buildings shall have the care and custody of the flags belonging to the City Hall, the Old State-House, and City Hall, Charles-Street.
- SECTION 3. The Superintendent of the Common and Public Buildings shall have the care and custody of the flags, ropes, and stakes belonging to the Common and other public buildings.
- SECTION 4. The city flags shall be displayed at the residence of the Mayor, or when so ordered by the City Council.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, June 20, 1887.

Resolved. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, June 23, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARR
Presi

Approved June 27, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN
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A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEILL
City C

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 28.

CONCERNING THE NUMBER OF DEPUTY
COLLECTORS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER THIRTEEN OF THE
REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter thirteen of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section two thereof by striking out the word "eighteen," in the ninth line of said section, and inserting in place thereof the word "twenty-one."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved July 9, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 29.

CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF THE DEPUTY COLLECTORS, AND ALLOWANCE FOR CLERK-HIRE
IN CITY COLLECTOR'S OFFICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one by striking out of the clause relating to the deputy collectors the words "one thousand seven hundred dollars each," and inserting the following in place thereof, "hereafter appointed, for their first year's service, one thousand four hundred dollars each; for their second year's service, one thousand five hundred dollars each; for their third year's service, one thousand six hundred dollars each; and thereafter one thousand seven hundred dollars each."

Also in the fourth line of said clause by striking out the word "two" and inserting the word "five" in place thereof.

Also in section two, by striking out of the first line of the clause relating to the city collector the words "twelve thousand two" and inserting the words "thirteen thousand five" in place thereof.

SECT. 2. This ordinance shall take effect from the first day of July, 1887.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7,
Concurred.

D. F. BARR

Pres.

Approved July 9, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN

M.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL

City C.

CITY OF BOSTON.



ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 30.
CONCERNING TORPEDOES AND OTHER
DETONATORS.

of the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

ORDINANCE CONCERNING TORPEDOES AND OTHER
DETONATORS.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter fifty-three of the Revised Ordinances
is hereby amended by adding the following section: —

SECTION 5. No person shall in any public place or high-
way, or so place or deposit that explosion can occur,
torpedo, percussion cap, or other mechanical contrivance
whereof any form of detonator is a part."

SECTION 2. The title of said chapter fifty-three of the Re-
vised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended by adding after
the word "fire-arms" the word "detonators."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

Resolved. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

Resolved.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Resolved July 9, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

True copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.



CITY OF BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 31.

AN ORDINANCE RELATION TO OFFICIAL BONDS.

Enacted by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter five of the Revised Ordinances of 1885
is hereby amended by substituting therefor the following
provisions:—

CHAPTER V.

OF OFFICIAL BONDS.

SECTION 1. The several officers hereinafter named shall
give bonds to the city for the purposes specified in this chap-
ter, with penal sums, as follows, namely:—

City treasurer, one hundred and fifty thousand dollars.

City collector, seventy-five thousand dollars.

City clerk, two thousand dollars.

City registrar, one thousand dollars.

Superintendent of health, ten thousand dollars.

Superintendent of sewers, two thousand dollars.

Sealer of weights and measures, one thousand dollars.

Secretary of trustees of Mt. Hope cemetery, five
thousand dollars.

Superintendent of the city hospital, three thousand

dollars.

Clerk of East Boston ferries, five thousand dollars,

and tollman one thousand dollars.

Clerk of books and accounts of the public institutions,

one thousand dollars.

Water registrar, five thousand dollars.

Clerk of the water board, two thousand dollars.

The superintendent of the public library, one thousand dollars.

The clerk of the park department, three thousand dollars.

The port physician (quarantine department), two thousand dollars.

The condition of said bonds shall be that the officer named will faithfully discharge the duties of his office, and duly collect and safely hold all of the money or other property belonging to the city and intrusted to him, and duly transmit the same to the proper official, at such place as may from time to time be fixed by ordinance; and he will properly hold and disburse any money belonging to the city which may be intrusted to him for that purpose.

The sureties on each of the said bonds may be one or more, but in no case for less than five hundred dollars; the liability of each surety, when more than one is given, shall be limited to a several liability for his proportionate part only of the full penal sum named in said bond.

SECT. 2. Every salaried member of a board, and every salaried officer in charge of a department of the city government, shall give a bond, with one or more sureties, in a sum to be prescribed by the mayor, for the proper use, custody and safekeeping of all the official records and documents of the department; for the maintenance of such books and accounts as may be required by any law and ordinance; for the safe transmission of all such books, accounts, records, and documents to his successor, or any other official appointed to receive them; and for the proper use and safe custody of all property in his charge. In the case of boards in charge of a department, each member shall be required to give bond for an equal amount; and in case of any enforcement of a penalty thereon, he shall be liable only for the proportion which his bond bears to the total given by the whole board.

SECT. 3. Every board and officer in charge of a department shall, from time to time, designate such subordinates in such department as may have access to the money, securities, records, books, accounts, or documents belonging to his own or other departments, and shall give a bond to the city, with one surety, and with such reasonable penalty as the mayor may prescribe, for the faithful discharge of the duties by such subordinates. No such bond, however, shall be for less than five hundred dollars, and such superior officer or board may require from such subordinate a bond of equal amount. Such bond may be made separately for each of said subordinates, or may include two or more. In the case of boards, the bonds given by them shall run for one

shall be renewed after the annual organization of the board, and no surety shall be necessary.

10. The bonds of every officer, and the sureties given in accordance with section one, shall be approved by the board of aldermen; and in the case of the treasurer and city collector shall also be approved by the board. Each of said bonds, except that of the city auditor, shall be executed, approved, and delivered before the officer enters upon the duties of his office.

11. The city treasurer shall have the custody of the bonds of the city auditor, but all the other bonds in favor of the city auditor mentioned in this chapter shall be kept in the custody of the city auditor. The city auditor shall keep a record of the dates, amounts, and sureties on all such bonds, and shall report the same at least once a month to the inspection of the mayor, and of any committee of the city council. He shall notify the mayor when such bond expires, or that he is aware the surety is impaired by the death, insolvency, or other disability of any signer; and every officer shall furnish a new surety when required by the authority which approved the former one.

12. Every such bond shall be in such form as the city council on counsel shall approve. The bond required by this section may be incorporated in the bond given under section 10.

13. Whenever the tenure of office of any officer, who has given a bond in accordance with this chapter, shall terminate by limitation, resignation, death, or removal, it shall be the duty of the department in which he served to provide within a reasonable time, to settle his accounts, and to cause the city auditor to have such bond cancelled, or to enforce the provisions. In either case the consent of the mayor to the cancellation shall be requisite, and entry thereof shall be made by the city auditor on the register mentioned in section 10.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

red.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved July 9, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.
Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 32.

CONCERNING SALARY OF THE AS-
SISTANT PORT PHYSICIAN.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause establishing the salary of the assistant port physician, by striking out the words “eight hundred and fifty,” and inserting the words “one thousand” in place thereof.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

D. F. BARRY
President.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 11, 1887.

Concurred.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

Approved July 13, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.
Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 33.

CONCERNING ALLOWANCE FOR CLERK-
HIRE IN THE CITY REGISTRAR'S
OFFICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885, as amended in section two, by chapter eighteen of the Ordinances of 1886, in the clause establishing the amount for clerk-hire in the city registrar's department, is hereby further amended by striking out the words "six thousand four hundred," and inserting the words "seven thousand" in place thereof.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 11, 1887.

Concurred.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

Approved July 13, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

ORATION

DELIVERED BEFORE THE

CITY COUNCIL AND CITIZENS OF BOSTON,

ON THE

ONE HUNDRED AND ELEVENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
DECLARATION OF AMERICAN INDEPENDENCE,

JULY 4, 1887,

BY

JOHN E. FITZGERALD.



BOSTON :

PRINTED BY ORDER OF THE CITY COUNCIL.

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CITY OF BOSTON.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, July 5, 1887.

Ordered, That the thanks of the City Council be expressed to JOHN E. FITZGERALD for the Oration delivered by him before the city authorities on the fourth instant, in commemoration of the one hundred and eleventh anniversary of American Independence, and that he be requested to furnish a copy thereof for publication.

Passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence.

PATRICK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, July 7, 1887.

Concurred unanimously.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved July 9, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest :

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

ORATION.

MAYOR AND CITIZENS OF BOSTON:—

Uphold a time-honored custom, to revive the
 es of this day, sacred to American liberty,
 en to the reading of a document which
 to be the divinely-inspired declaration of
 le's rights, and to draw patriotic lessons
 ne same, are the purposes for which you
 embled here this Fourth of July morning.
 s the day of days in our Republic. On
 y liberty was born on the North Ameri-
 ntinent; on this day tyranny was strangled.
 s day the Colonies ceased to be circum-
 by a monarch's crown, and by the Dec-
 of Independence proclaimed themselves a
 tion to the whole world, and substituted
 le of the people for the reign of kings
 eens. This day to the patriotic American
 brings up the memories of one hundred
 ven years ago, and the years of suffering,
 on, and self-sacrifice that followed, to build

this free Republic—yes, and it brings to the four long years of war and sorrow and so heroically in our own day to preserve and perpetuate that Union whose birth we celebrate to-day; and if Bunker Hill, and Lexington, and Saratoga, and Valley Forge, and Yorktown are remembered with patriotic feeling, so also are Sumter, and Fredericksburg, and Gettysburg, and Appomattox, and the patriotic emotions that to the heart are all the deeper because of the noble sacrifices that have made this day's celebration a possibility. The hosts that went out to fight that the Union might live are with us again to-day. But yesterday with patriotic tenderness and a *de profundis* in the heart, the sweet flowers of spring were strewn on their graves—we sing a *Te Deum*, because in their death the Union and Independence proclaimed on their banners are preserved forever. Thank God! the wounds and its bitter animosities have passed away forever. We were forcibly reminded of that fact on the 17th of June last, when the men who wore the blue and the gray marched our streets as brothers and friends in patriotic pilgrimage to Bunker Hill, and the Union and Confederate soldier alike clasped hands and hearts, as the children of a common mother, as their fathers did

efore, when Virginia and Massachusetts
shoulder to shoulder for liberty, and against
oppression. The war for the Union is
remembered to-day not to excite sectional
ty, but to exhibit to the world, in the
nd daring of the Union and Confederate
alike, the pluck, the grit, and the noble
rifice of the American citizen in fighting
right as he saw it.

Fourth of July's morning sun shines on
ed people North and South. Time has
the enmities of a quarter of a century
d to-day, as when the Colonies proclaimed
to the world, and were welded into a huge
bolt and flung in the face of George III.
ay, as on that day, "like the spark of
fire that runs along the magic wire,"
ome to home, from heart to heart, in every
of the Republic — North, South, East,
est — in sweet and harmonious accord, a
e prayer is offered up by more than sixty
s of people for the preservation of a re-
land, a common flag, and a common destiny
and aye.

history of the revolutionary period which
day celebrate, and of the men who figured
is familiar to every school-boy, while the

principles for which they fought and the
cation of those principles as a guide in de
ing our political duties as citizens are too
be overlooked or forgotten in the bitterm
personal or party strife, and as in the Cl
churches the festival days of saints are cel
that their virtues may be imitated, so the
ration of the fathers of this Republic is
celebrated that we may cherish the princi
local self-government, the hatred of tyrann
oppression, and the belief in the people an
capacity to correct their own judgments a
cisions, which characterized the men who t
proclaimed independence and gave us a free
lic. We have little trouble in determinin
course as citizens when the Republic requir
to vindicate her honor or preserve her unity
every man is a soldier or a patriot. While
had a Trojan enemy or Rome a Carthagini
their greatness was secure, for the vindica
the honor of their land killed jealousy an
tional animosity, and made patriotism reign su
It was in "the piping time of peace,"
pursuing wealth and luxury, and political an
distinction, that patriotism was forgotten
greed and corruption supplanted honesty an
plicity, that class was arrayed against clas

deadly foes to the liberties and greatness
reece and Rome appeared than the hosts of
xes or the valiant legions of a Hannibal.
history record it so of this Republic?

Republic of to-day is composed of different
al from that of one hundred years ago, has
pple with entirely different questions, and is
r, and will solve successfully, too, the
ns which writers, fifty years ago, prophesied,
mid men to-day think will confound the
ation of Independence and the Constitution
estroy republican government. Never before
history of republics, ancient or modern,
e democratic form of government and its
y to meet the wants of a people put to
evere tests as it is in our Republic. This
lic has already demonstrated, and is demon-
g, its capacity to amalgamate and assimilate
ost diverse nationalities and yet preserve
distinctive Americanism and nationalism
characterized the Republic of one hundred
ago. It is not a Republic with the char-
tics of the Puritan as he comes to our
nor is it the Republic with the character-
of any other nationality. It has often been
that the Puritan came here to build a
commonwealth, and only the other day

it was remarked that the New England of to-day is the New England made according to the ideas of Winthrop, Mather, Endicott, and the great Puritan fathers. I venture to assert they had no such ideas. They came here to worship God according to their own ideas, and to build a religious commonwealth of their own, from which everybody was to be excluded whose religious tenets did not agree with theirs; and the building of a mighty Republic, like this of to-day, made up of the children of every nation and of every creed, where all can worship and none dare oppress, was as far removed from the ideas and anticipations of the Puritan fathers as the poles or the antipodes. But let us be just to the Pilgrim and the Puritan.

It was said of a Christian doctor of the early church that his early theology was the antidote and the cure to the heresies which he afterward preached. And so with the early Puritan — the sturdy honesty, the school-house, the town-meeting, the habit of self-government formed there, and the manly independence which it imparted, the importance of the individual and the government of the community, — all brought over and established by the Pilgrim and the Puritan created a sturdier and a more broadened manhood.

the generations as they came and went, and in time the cure for Puritan narrowness, while eliminating what was worst, retained and communicated what was best in the Puritan character, and is gradually, with the traits of all nationalities, forming that type of manhood unlike any other, and superior to any other—the American citizen of to-day. And this type of American citizen has no distinctive mother country. It has been the fashionable lately for Anglomaniacs to call England the mother country. Nothing is further from the truth. It was disputed a century ago. It is less true now. The whole world is the mother country of this Republic. She is still but in her infancy, and the citizen of this Republic is only developing his national traits, and all the races are contributing their share to this wonderful composite character. A century from this day the descendants of the Irishman, the German, or the Frenchman who fell or died at Gettysburg or Fredericksburg will be proud of the deeds of his ancestor and of his Americanism as are to-day the children of those who fought at Bunker Hill or Lexington, and looking back at the history of our time these Americans all will wonder that there ever could be any jealousy or Know-nothingism because the

ancestor of one immigrant landed at Castle Garden or East Boston and that of the other at Plymouth or Salem. Therefore is it not well that we of this day should anticipate somewhat the fraternal union and brotherly spirit that will exist a century hence among the descendants of the citizens of this generation, no matter from whence they came, and measure the worth of the American citizen by his honesty, his capacity, and his patriotism, and his sympathies, independent of whether he or his father entered the family of the Republic yesterday or a few decades before.

How short-sighted the Americanism of the men who fear the influx of immigration! Every immigrant who lands on these shores is worth his weight in gold if he bring only a brave heart and a willing hand. He has helped make the Republic of three millions a century ago the great Republic of sixty millions to-day, and has carried civilization and industry, and smiling cornfields and thriving cities, where the savage and the wilderness were a few years ago. Landing poor and penniless to-day, he becomes the wealthy citizen of to-morrow, and his son the merchant, the lawyer, the skilled artisan, the governor of the State, yea, the President of this great Republic the day after, for thus quickly does the spirit

Americanism, even in the second generation, is the family of the immigrant who makes his home and his home.

By swift-sailing messenger that speeds the Atlantic, freighted with men and women with new hopes and new ambitions for a new Republic, brings as precious and as a freight as Jason of old brought to Greece. Let them come. The Republic needs them all. They are a blessing and a necessity while forests are to be felled and fields to be tilled, and mines to be delved, and towns and cities to be built.

The Republic's blessing, and not its curse, comes by the emigrant ship. It brings the granite and marble blocks, fashioned and polished in the studio of the Republic's sculpture, each in its fitting place in the building of the temple of liberty.

What if there be some useless blocks? The Government of the States and the Republic are already anxious to deal with them. Is the wheat rejected because some chaff is mixed with it? The Government who to-day would erect a Chinese wall around the Republic and restrict immigration are not know-nothing than American, no matter how loudly patriotic they may seem to be. As

well stop the tides of the ocean as the tide of immigration. It will flow hither forevermore while mankind is 'oppressed abroad and liberated here. It has a temple and a home here.

The philosophic historians who look at government from the monarchial stand-point, and with monarchial sympathies, predicted that the greatest danger to our republican form of government was the growth of the aristocratic element in the nation, while the later and conservative writers in our own land proclaim that the destruction of our republican form of government will be the work of the Socialist, the Communist, the Anarchist, and the men of that class. We have both classes in the Republic, and the stability of our form of government is shown by the fact that it can exist and thrive and grow stronger in the presence of these affections in spite of them and their theories. The history of to-day preaches a patriotic sentiment common to both alike. The lesson which it imparts is far removed from the ideas of either.

On one side are the men who believe in a strong government composed only of persons of high education and property, and who would make both a prerequisite to the right to vote; who are annoyed by frequent elections, who look sad

universal suffrage, and who would willingly
surrender all the privileges now enjoyed for a
government that would simply secure distinction
of honors and protection to life and property,
this class is unfortunately growing larger
and larger. Diametrically opposed to this class we
have the men who proclaim all government a fail-
ure, a law tyranny, all honestly acquired prop-
erty robbery, and who, fleeing from continental
despotism, have found a home in this
land, and in return for its hospitality would
plant the red flag of the Anarchist for the
black and stripes, and the reign of the dema-
nd for that of the Commune for that of republican
government under law.

But happily for the stability of our land, be-
tween those two classes, small in number and
antagonistic to each other, stands the great mid-
dle class of millions of American citizens, high
and low, rich and poor, imbued with the spirit
of the day's immortal declaration, fighting the
opposite tendencies of both; cherishing and
loving this Republic as the fathers planned it,
and their sons bled to preserve and perpetuate
it, striving to keep it a government of, for,
and by the people forever.

And, like a fond and tender mother, the

Republic invites her children into her grand national pantheon, over whose portals are "Liberty and Equality." There she exhorts the young men and women of this generation to the names of those she has most honored during the century of her existence, and the proudest inscriptions written in golden letters over the prominent names in her temple of fame are of those who have sprung from the ranks of the people,—the farmer, the artisan, the industrious mechanic, the struggling laborer, the lawyer and business man, who by honest effort and patriotic action achieved the highest honors in the Republic, and were admitted to the ranks of the aristocracy recognized here,—the aristocracy of brains and honest worth, to which all are invited who work and strive; and thus does she inspire the youth of the land with lofty emotions and honorable ambitions to do and achieve, and thus does she kill in one object-lesson to-day the dangerous and un-republican ideas of the would-be aristocrat and the quixotic and fanatical tendencies of the red-bannered Communist and Anarchist, and thus does the Republic stand pure and unsullied among the 60,000,000 children, native and adopted, the simple people of government declared on this day loyal and destined for all time to be the political

and faith of this people, in spite of would-be aristocrat, socialist or demagogue. It would seem as if Providence, in order to rebuke all these un-republican classes, like the scenes in the kaleidoscope, were continually changing both the political and social condition of our people—the pauper of one day becomes the millionaire of the next—the millionaire's money in time being re-distributed again, and so is kept up and preserved that equality, that healthy democracy and healthy ambition, far removed from the false theories of the two extremes of which I have spoken.

The change of scene from the tenement-house to the palace and from the day laborer to the master mechanic, and *vice versa* is continually taking place here, unlike any other country on the habitable globe. While this continues, and every man has an equal opportunity, this Republic is safe. And in this connection a thought comes to me that there is a danger more threatening to the life of the Republic and to the happiness of its people than any other to-day,—one that in time may become the fruitful parent of anarchy, and is far worse than aristocracy,—it is the gradual growth and tyranny of corporate power and the unscrupulous exercise of that power through the influence of aggregated capital, and

for selfish purposes, to bribe and influence which should be the protector and guardian of all our rights and liberties,—the legislative departments of our government. This is a case where the creature is gradually becoming master of the creator, and where the representatives of the people, through the corrupting power of money, become the playthings, the tools and mere instruments of the wills of moneyed corporations and syndicates, who for greed and gain buy legislatures, steal the people's rights, blunt the public conscience, and impudently tell the public that everything which they do and obtain is for the people's good.

The Union Pacific Railroad lobby, the Trust ring,—which owned legislatures and judges, the New York Broadway Railroad steal, the Chicago municipal ring, and the disclosures made and others hinted at in our own Massachusetts Legislature, all show the necessity of an awakened public conscience, quick to see and brave enough to sound the alarm and to mark the men in public life, no matter to what party they belong, who place the interests of the lobby above public honor, duty, or the rights of the people. If we do not kill corruption, corruption will in

erty. That man cannot be privately hon-
who in public life is corrupt, and who con-
like the officials of the Roman Empire, in
cline, his term of office his time for plun-
nd spoils and money-making, and whose
like wares at an auction, are sold to the
t bidder. It will be a sad day for the
lic, the State, and the City, when men who
ese things can appeal with success to their
-citizens for their suffrages, while those who
m their public duties with the same con-
ous exactness as they do their private af-
are snubbed and sneered at as not being
and as being narrow, unmanageable, and
roachable.

dictation and tyranny of corporate wealth
growing danger; but when there is added
the corrupting influence of corporate power
legislative bodies and individuals it then be-
an open enemy to our republican form of
ment and to the people's liberties. The
ages obtained from corporate wealth in de-
ng improvements and building up great
ries are often more than counterbalanced
e terrible power it exercises at the ballot-
nd on legislative bodies, in spite of the
s protests and against the people's inter-

ests. Corporations and large moneyed syndicates are entitled to the same rights as private individuals, but when these giants, made so by State legislation, exercise their powers to corrupt individuals and legislatures to obtain their ends, then they become a public nuisance, and should be abated. It is this growing exaction of corporate despotism that has gradually aroused labor to the importance of organization. This Republic should continue to be the laboring man's paradise, and it should be as far as legislation can make it an impossibility for any individual or set of individuals through corporate laws to make millions in a lifetime, beyond the wildest dreams of Cræsus, and that at the expense of the sweat and toil and starvation wages of thousands. But there is one thing that must be always borne in mind in this free land, and it is, that the tyranny of capital is no justification for the tyranny of labor. The greedy, purse-proud employer who will make no terms, the demagogue, the unsafe leader who will urge his followers to accept none, are both equally wrong, and both equally dangerous to the welfare of society. Capital and labor are an absolute necessity; they should be twin handmaids and close allies instead of enemies, and mutual concession

and the spirit of justice should decide their differences to the end that both shall promote the welfare and happiness of the community and the glory of the Republic.

If on this day we are reminded of our duties to our country and to each other, the history and early struggles of this free Republic in which we live suggest to us on this Fourth of July the necessity for extending to others who are oppressed our sympathy and good cheer. I know it is often said by very good and conservative people that it is not the business of the United States and its people to meddle with the affairs of other nations. The memories of this day suggest different ideas. The conservative, the being who, if he had lived at creation's dawn, when God said, "Let there be light," and light was made, would have cried out "Disturb not the eternal chaos,"—the conservative who one hundred and eleven years ago to-day feared the Declaration was a mistake and a blunder because it interfered with the sale of cotton balls and needles and thread, who is always the critic, but never the actor, in the drama of the world's progress, who was a Tory in the Revolution and is the disbeliever in popular suffrage to-day, does not represent the sentiment of the American

people or the traditions of this day. This Republic has been an example and a guiding light to the down-trodden nationalities of the world. Its one hundred or more years' existence, its grand strides in everything that tends to elevate humanity, have served as a continual spur to the down-trodden the world over—its example is gradually republicanizing Europe, and we should be untrue to the history and traditions of this day if we as a people did not sympathize with struggling nations fighting for freedom, whether on the battlefield or in the halls of legislation.

This day should teach us an abiding faith and trust in the people and in the principles of local self-government. Those who distrust the people and curtail their local rights are untrue to the declarations of this day and to its spirit, and those who would check local self-government and place cities and towns under guardianship, whether it be through the alleged terrorism and shot-gun policy said to be pursued in some localities of the South, or through the less manly and more hypocritical methods pursued in Massachusetts, are guilty of a crime against the Declaration of Independence and the liberties of the people. The people may be slow to act, but the people, in a body, are more honest, more wise, and more

patriotic than any set; and they can always be trusted, when the nation, State, or city are in danger, to place the duty of the citizen and the patriot above the blind adhesion to men or parties. The election at Chicago the other day is a notable example of this. The people may be depended on to preserve through the ballot what they have won through the bullet. To all of us this day's celebration speaks in eloquent tones, and urges each one to do his part as far as in him lies to preserve this great Republic by keeping to the traditions of its founders, by encouraging honesty and denouncing meanness in public life, by attending to public affairs as patriotically as the fathers this day one hundred and eleven years ago did, and encouraging liberality of ideas so that this land and its public servants shall be a pride and a glory, and this Republic the home of freedom and of the oppressed of every tongue and every clime forevermore. We are told that at creation's morning, and when the world was young, "the earth was of one tongue and of one speech," and each said to his neighbor, "Let us make a city and a tower, the top whereof may reach to heaven; and let us make our names famous before we are scattered to all lands." And the Lord saw

the city and the tower which the children of Adam were building in their pride, and he confounded their tongues so that they could not understand each other, and he scattered them unto all lands; and the city and the tower were a failure, and the name thereof was called Babel, because there the language of the whole earth was confounded, and they were scattered abroad upon the face of the world. Four thousand years or more have passed away since Adam's children were cursed and scattered at Babel.

Four thousand years of war and pestilence and tyranny and oppression in which man has fought and chained and slain his fellow-man because rivers divided him and tongues confounded him until the Lord seemed to have looked with pitying eyes on the war-trampled and tyranny-oppressed descendants of the men of old; and in this our day and in our own land He seems to have reversed the curse on Babel, and He calls together again the scattered children of men to build another city and another tower, and they come at His summons from all lands like brothers as in the world's early dawn. They come from the icy homes of Scandinavia, from sunny France and Italy, from poor down-trodden Erin, from the Rhine land, the Saxon,

the Celt, the Norman, and the Teuton, the dusky sons of the tropics and the almond-eyed ones of the East — all the nations and tongues of the world are gathering in this great city, this free Republic of ours, and they are lisping one common tongue as in the earth's fair morning; and they are acquiring common tastes and ideas; and they are building a tower mightier than Babel that is to last for all time, whose foundation-stones were laid one hundred and eleven years ago to-day, and were hewn from the immortal Declaration, and this tower is ascending up, up to the great throne itself, and on its summit the God of Liberty has placed His own electric light, and it shines as a beacon to guide the down-trodden of every land, to bring the children of men again together and make them brothers of one heart and one mind, as in the early days of the world — to give liberty to the slave, knowledge to the ignorant, plenty to the starving, justice to the oppressed, equality to all — to develop the highest type of manhood the world has ever seen, and to fill continents and islands with the blessings of life and liberty, which, under its radiant light, are enjoyed by those who listen to me this Fourth of July morning, and by sixty millions of people besides,

citizens of this free Republic, who, on mountain and in vale, in city and in village, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and in every land where the American citizen sojourns, pledge anew to-day their fealty and devotion to the principles embodied and enunciated in the Declaration of American Independence proclaimed this day one hundred and eleven years ago, and which have given to the world the most progressive and the freest land it has seen since Adam trod the flowery paths of Eden in the long ago.

At the close of the oration Mr. FITZGERALD received loud applause. The benediction was then given, and the audience dispersed to the music of the band.

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CITY OF



BOSTON.

CITY TREASURER'S

MONTHLY STATEMENT

AND FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1887-88.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, August 1, 1887.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR AND THE HONORABLE CITY
COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and payments of the City of Boston for the month of July, 1887, and for the financial year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888, showing the balance of money remaining in the Treasury July 31, 1887, and where deposited.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer.

Balance, July 1, 1887 \$2,545,289 05

RECEIPTS IN JULY, 1887.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$437,979 99	
From City Collector, on County Account	28,585 18	
		466,565 17
City Loans, viz. :—		
Public Park, 3½ % Gold		310,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans, viz. :—		
High Service, 4 %		7,000 00
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds :—		
For payment of debt		51,000 00
Interest on Bank Deposits		7,351 27
Pay-roll Tailings, from Paymasters, settlements with Cashier, parties unpaid		4,577 54
Interest accrued on Loans negotiated		832 35
Premium on Loans negotiated		775 00
Tax Title, Rochester Street		68 61
		\$3,393,458 99

PAYMENTS IN JULY, 1887.

On Mayor's drafts :—		
General drafts		*\$411,999 49
Pay-roll drafts		425,492 92
Special drafts		538,613 61
		†\$1,376,106 02
<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$1,376,106 02

*Amount of general draft through City Auditor's office for July \$413,576 35
 Less not paid 2,575 26

Add paid on outstanding drafts for preceding months, from May 1, 1887 \$411,001 09
 998 40
 \$411,999 49

† Includes City Debt paid . \$51,000 00

† Includes Interest paid, as follows :—
 On City Debt \$256,841 54
 On Cochituate Water Debt 59,795 83
 On Mystic Water Debt 12,240 00
 \$328,877 37

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 3

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	.	.	.	\$1,376,106 02
County of Suffolk:—				
Allowed by Auditor of the County of Suffolk :			*\$44,491 58	
Mayor's Special Drafts :			78,950 00	
			<hr/>	123,441 58
Board of Commissioners of Sinking- Funds:—				
Revenue, payable under authority of Ordinance on Finance				20,055 60
Liquor Licenses, proportion paid State of Massachusetts				6,173 00
Pay-roll Tailings, payments by Cashier to parties not paid by Paymasters				2,412 27
City Debt, due prior to May 1, 1887				2,000 00
Taxes, costs, interest, etc., refunded				34 89
Water-Rates refunded:—				
Cochituate Water			\$18 26	
Mystic Water			30 50	
			<hr/>	48 76
Tax title, Rochester street				68 61
Old claims, City account				1 75
				<hr/>
				<u>\$1,530,342 48</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, July 1, 1887	.	.	.	\$2,545,289 05
Receipts during July, 1887	.	.	.	848,169 94
				<hr/>
				\$3,393,458 99
Payments during July, 1887	.	.	.	1,530,342 48
				<hr/>
Balance, July 31, 1887	.	.	.	<u>\$1,863,116 51</u>

*Amount of County Requisitions through County Auditor's office for July . .	\$44,037 53
Less not paid	151 29
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	\$43,886 24
Add paid on requisitions for preceding months from May 1, 1887	605 34
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	<u>\$44,491 58</u>

STATEMENT

For the three months of the Financial Year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888:—

Balance on hand May 1, 1887, from the financial year 1886-87 \$4,080,681 09

RECEIPTS.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$915,280 94	
From City Collector, on County Account	39,072 10	
	<hr/>	954,353 04
City Loans, viz.:—		
Public park, 3½%, gold		310,000 00
Suffolk County Loans:—		
Suffolk County Court-House 3½%		800,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans:—		
Additional Supply of Water, (Basin 5) 3½%	\$35,000 00	
Extension of Mains, etc., 3½%	150,000 00	
Protection of Water Supply, 3½%	50,000 00	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate, 3½%	40,000 00	
High Service, 4%	137,000 00	
	<hr/>	412,000 00
From Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds:—		
For payment of debt	\$79,000 00	
For betterments refunded	3,040 04	
	<hr/>	82,040 04
Interest on Bank Deposits		24,250 19
Pay-roll Tailings from Paymasters, settlements with Cashier, parties unpaid		10,212 20
Premium on Loans negotiated		9,462 50
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<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$6,682,999 06

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 5

Amount brought forward	\$6,682,999 06
Interest accrued on Loans negotiated	832 35
x Title, Rochester street	68 61
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	<u>\$6,683,900 02</u>

PAYMENTS.

Mayor's drafts :—	
General drafts	*\$886,424 67
Pay-roll drafts	1,488,629 58
Special drafts	1,943,241 51
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	†\$4,318,295 76

County of Suffolk :—	
Allowed by Auditor of the	
County of Suffolk	‡\$119,978 98
Mayor's special drafts	163,395 88
Old claims	15 35
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	283,390 21

Whor License Revenue, proportion paid	
State of Massachusetts	141,706 00

Board of Commissioners of Sinking-	
Funds :—	
Revenue, payable under authority of	
Ordinance on Finance	53,247 94
City Debt, due prior to May 1, 1887	13,000 00
Pay-roll Tailings, payments by Cashier to	
parties not paid by Paymasters	6,025 79
Overpayments, refunded	3,040 04
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Amount carried forward	\$4,818,705 74
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Amount of general drafts through City Auditor's office from	
May 1, 1887	\$886,463 92
Less amount not paid	3,039 25
	<hr/>
	\$886,424 67

Includes City Debt paid	\$79,000 00	† Includes Interest paid, as follows :—
		On City Debt
		On Cochituate Water Debt,
		On Mystic Water Debt
		<hr/>
		\$437,712 84

Amount of County Requisitions through the County Auditor's	
office from May 1, 1887	\$120,149 38
Less amount not paid	170 40
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	\$119,978 98

The right to lay down the tracks located by this order is upon condition that the whole work of laying the same, the form of rail to be used, and the kind and quality of material used in paving said tracks, shall be under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, and shall be approved by him. Also upon condition that said Metropolitan Railroad Company shall accept this order of location, and shall agree, in writing, to comply with the conditions herein contained, and shall file said acceptance and agreement with the City Clerk within thirty days from the passage of this order; otherwise it shall be null and void.

Passed.

Approved by the Mayor Aug. 25, 1887.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

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CITY OF



BOSTON.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

FOR 1887-88.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, September 2, 1887.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned, in compliance with Chap. 14, Section 3, Revised Ordinances, herewith presents an exhibit of the General and Special Appropriations for the present financial year of 1887-88, as shown in the books in his office, September 1, 1887, including the September draft, — being five months' payments of the financial year, — exhibiting the original appropriations, the balances brought forward from the year 1886-87, the amount drawn September 1, 1887, the total expenditures, and the balance of each appropriation unexpended at that date.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

(OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$76,930 57	\$95,415 00	\$1,183,687 00	\$1,356,032 57	\$348,863 85	\$847,670 61	\$1,009,409 49	\$391,993 50
City Hospital			180,000 00	180,000 00	14,576 26	68,714 09	91,285 94	
Building for Contagious Cases	27,132 85		5,000 00	32,132 85	2,677 65	17,426 36	14,706 49	46,293 61
Building for Contagious Cases, Furnishing			7,375 00	7,375 00			7,375 00	
Building for Out-Patients	19,000 00			19,000 00			19,000 00	
City Messenger's Department			19,852 00	19,852 00	1,382 99	7,482 40	12,369 60	
City Registrar's Department ¹			14,000 00	14,000 00	745 06	4,087 84	9,912 16	
Collector's Department ²		2,000 00	57,100 00	59,100 00	4,932 65	26,332 73	32,767 27	
Common and Public Grounds:—								
Common, etc.	450 00		60,000 00	60,450 00	3,381 06	51,057 35	9,322 65	
Commonwealth Avenue, Loan for Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00	1,513 69	1,486 31	1,486 31	
Improvement of Independence Square	285 12			285 12		285 12		
Play-Grounds			500 00	500 00		200 00	300 00	
Public Garden Bridge	884 45			884 45		785 00	99 45	
Street Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00	1,694 92	2,427 40	572 60	
Tudor Bequest	500 00			500 00		153 10	346 84	
Contingent Funds, viz.:—								
Joint Committee ³				9,501 65	3,135 80	8,349 68	1,151 97	
Mayor		501 65	9,000 00	9,501 65				
Board of Aldermen			1,500 00	1,500 00	352 00	630 23	869 75	
Common Council		43 50	9,000 00	9,043 50	683 15	5,189 79	3,853 71	
County of Suffolk:—			10,000 00	10,000 00	266 90	4,863 26	5,136 74	
County of Suffolk			450,000 00	450,000 00	36,148 36	219,956 95	230,043 05	
County Debt			17,000 00	17,000 00				
County Interest			56,735 00	56,735 00			56,735 00	
Suffolk County Court-House ⁴		701,008 75		701,008 75	55,381 11	243,242 63	457,766 12	1,200,233 83
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$125,182 99	\$798,968 90	\$2,069,749 00	\$5,013,900 89	\$901,317 47	\$1,547,568 28	\$1,967,670 14	\$1,637,620 89

¹ Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$600.
² Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$3,000.
³ Loans authorized, \$3,350,000; loans negotiated, \$1,650,000; premium on loans, \$8,000.
⁴ Loans authorized, \$3,350,000; loans negotiated, \$1,650,000; premium on loans, \$8,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$126,182 90	\$798,968 90	\$2,069,749 00	\$3,013,900 80	\$691,317 47	\$1,547,368 28	\$1,967,670 14	\$1,687,620 89
Damages by Dogs				9,006 10	43 75	54 00	(\$54.00 provided for).	
Deeds, Real Estate Advertising, etc.	3,713 60	5,291 50			1,863 88	4,338 66	4,166 44	
East Boston Ferries:—								
East Boston Ferries	36,507 50		208,000 00	208,000 00	14,456 24	86,548 38	131,451 62	44,909 86
New Ferry-Boat			36,507 50	36,507 50	6,645 81	33,417 36	3,090 14	
New Ferry, South Ferry, East Boston			15,000 00	15,000 00	55 38	14,944 62	14,944 62	
Engineer's Department			33,000 00	33,000 00	2,568 42	16,329 67	17,670 33	
Executive Department			21,600 00	21,600 00	1,666 70	9,968 70	11,631 30	
Fire Department:—								
Fire Department			778,958 00	778,958 00	47,733 23	346,292 46	432,662 54	
Fire-Alarm Telegraph			31,005 00	31,005 00	2,464 25	13,185 78	17,819 22	
Flags, Ropes, and Stakes ¹			1,390 26	1,390 26	187 28	312 99	1,077 27	
Health Department			525,000 00	525,000 00	37,190 64	213,961 63	311,038 07	
Improved Sewerage:—								
Constructions:—	35,275 91	915 00		36,190 91	1,917 17	10,225 77	25,966 14	6,386,562 79
Maintenance			70,820 00	70,820 00	4,562 56	30,043 42	40,776 58	
Incidental Expenses			40,000 00	40,000 00	1,527 06	35,412 39	4,587 61	
Inspection of Buildings			50,000 00	50,000 00	4,170 98	21,550 67	28,449 33	
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar			9,000 00	9,000 00	704 63	4,538 89	4,466 11	
Inspection of Provisions			2,300 00	2,300 00	1,099 12	1,200 88	1,100 88	
Interest			1,599,623 00	1,599,623 00	123,199 88	488,927 39	1,111,596 61	
Lamp Department			575,000 00	575,000 00	43,137 18	237,336 43	337,663 57	
Law Department			23,600 00	23,600 00	1,943 71	11,628 90	11,673 10	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$200,680 00	\$806,175 40	\$6,073,842 26	\$7,079,697 66	\$987,566 61	\$3,111,189 57	\$4,469,669 62	\$7,066,963 64

¹ Transferred from Police Department, \$1,890.28.

² Total appropriations for construction, \$6,480,027.93; transferred August, 1876, by authority of an order of July 17, from Reserved Fund, \$40,000; loans authorized \$6,433,000; balance unexpended \$4,483,000; transferred to Sewer between Crescent avenue and Greenwich street, \$65,000; transferred from Construction.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on unpierced public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
Liquor License Expenses	\$200,680 00	\$805,175 40	\$6,078,842 26	\$7,079,697 66	\$987,595 61	\$3,111,189 57	\$4,469,699 62	\$7,068,943 54
Board of Police	371,678 00	200,851 00		581,529 00	2,196 44	157,759 33	423,769 67	
City Clerk's Department								
Collector's Department								
Treasurer's Department								
Paid State proportion of receipts, 144,042 63								
Refunded								
Police Signal System								
Long Island	4,515 17	1,007 42	9,000 00	6,522 59			6,522 59	164,000 00
Markets				9,900 00	830 56		5,117 34	
Mount Hope Cemetery, —								
Running Expenses, etc.	3,597 15	10,390 95	10,000 00	23,988 10	1,512 53	21,207 44	2,780 66	
Removal of Gravel, etc. 1		3,200 00	3,200 00	3,200 00	737 65	1,594 24	1,605 76	
Overseers of the Poor			115,000 00	115,000 00	6,042 06	33,707 30	81,292 70	
Park Department:—								
Covered Channel, Muddy River	253 42		6,500 00	6,500 00	428 48	2,778 71	3,721 20	148,453 38
Franklin Park	86,344 84	400,000 00		486,344 84		401,153 26	85,161 58	1,414,838 42
Muddy River Improvement	104,148 88			104,148 88		10,200 00	93,948 88	104,061 12
Parks, Maintenance	1,371 69	2,243 76	15,000 00	18,720 45	1,153 60	6,445 27	12,275 18	
Park Nursery			5,000 00	5,000 00	445 75	2,000 52	2,999 48	
Public Park, Back Bay	6,639 57			6,639 57			6,639 57	469,300 48
Public Park, Construction	483,714 37			483,714 37	53,011 43	183,765 09	299,949 28	
Paving Department:—								
A-Street Repaving	4,111 14		850,096 00	850,096 00	106,907 86	531,740 79	318,256 21	
Bowdoin-st. Bridge, Construction of		35,000 00		35,000 00	1,994 44		1,673 00	
Humboldt Avenue	1,479 97			1,479 97			35,000 00	
							1,452 86	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,265,534 20	\$1,428,773 53	\$7,125,442 26	\$9,820,749 99	\$1,163,700 86	\$4,470,826 24	\$5,851,115 26	\$9,396,844 04

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$1,200.

2 Transferred from Linden Park, \$4,111.14.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$793,968 90	\$2,089,749 00	\$3,013,900 89	\$601,317 67	\$1,547,368 28	\$1,967,070 14	\$1,637,520 89
Damages by Dogs	\$126,182 99				43 75	54 00	(\$42.00 provided for.)	
Deeds, Rent Estate Advertising, etc.	3,713 00	5,291 50		9,005 10	1,993 88	4,838 66	4,166 44	
East Boston Ferries:—								
New Ferry-Boat	36,507 50		208,000 00	208,000 00	14,436 24	86,548 33	121,451 62	
New Ferry, East Boston			15,000 00	15,000 00	6,645 81	33,417 36	3,990 14	
Engineer's Department			33,000 00	33,000 00	55 88	55 38	14,944 62	
Executive Department			21,500 00	21,500 00	2,668 42	16,329 67	17,070 33	
Fire Department:—								
Fire Department			778,955 00	778,955 00	47,733 23	346,292 46	432,662 64	
Fire-Alarm Telegraph			31,005 00	31,005 00	2,464 25	13,186 78	17,819 27	
Flags, Ropes, and Snares			1,390 26	1,390 26	157 25	312 99	1,077 27	
Health Department			625,000 00	625,000 00	37,190 64	213,961 93	811,088 07	
Improved Sewerage:—								
Construction	35,275 91	915 00		36,190 91	1,917 17	10,225 77	25,966 14	
Maintenance			70,820 00	70,820 00	4,992 66	30,043 42	40,776 68	
Incidental Expenses			40,000 00	40,000 00	1,627 05	35,412 39	4,587 61	
Inspection of Buildings			50,000 00	50,000 00	4,170 98	21,550 67	28,449 33	
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar			9,000 00	9,000 00	704 63	4,563 89	4,496 11	
Inspection of Provisions			2,300 00	2,300 00	182 40	1,099 12	1,200 88	
Interest			1,599,623 00	1,599,623 00	123,199 88	468,027 39	1,111,696 61	
Lamp Department			576,000 00	576,000 00	43,137 18	237,336 43	337,663 57	
Law Department			23,500 00	23,500 00	1,943 71	11,626 90	11,673 10	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$200,680 00	\$805,175 40	\$6,073,842 26	\$7,079,697 66	\$987,596 61	\$3,111,199 57	\$4,409,999 63	\$7,068,963 54

‡ Transferred from Police Department, \$1,390.26.

‡ Total appropriations for construction, \$5,480,027.93; transferred August, 1876, by authority of an order of July 17, from Reserved Fund, \$40,000; loans authorized \$6,433,000; loans negotiated, \$5,433,000, and revenue, \$7,027.93; transferred to Sewer between Crescent avenue and Greenwich street, \$65,000; transferred from Construc-

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$200,680 00	\$805,175 40	\$6,073,842 26	\$7,079,697 66	\$687,506 61	\$3,111,189 57	\$4,400,900 02	\$7,068,995 54
Liquor License Expenses	371,678 00	209,851 00		581,529 00	2,196 44	157,156 33	423,769 57	
Board of Police								
City Clerk's Department					2 50			
Collector's Department					818 60			
Treasurer's Department								
Paid State proportion of receipts, 144,042 63								
Refunded					27 28			
Police Signal System								
Police Signal System	4,516 17	1,007 42	9,900 00	5,522 59			5,522 59	164,000 00
Markets				9,900 00			5,117 34	
Mount Hope Cemetery:—								
Running Expenses, etc.	3,697 16	10,380 96	10,000 00	23,988 10	1,512 53	21,207 44	2,780 66	
Removal of Gravel, etc.			3,200 00	3,200 00	737 65	1,564 24	1,605 76	
Overseers of the Poor			115,000 00	115,000 00	6,042 06	33,707 30	81,292 70	
Park Department:—								
Park Department			6,500 00	6,500 00	428 48	2,778 71	3,721 29	
Covered Channel, Muddy River	283 42			283 42		6 80	246 62	148,453 88
Franklin Park	86,344 84	400,000 00		486,344 84		401,183 28	85,161 56	1,414,838 42
Muddy River Improvement	104,148 88			104,148 88		10,200 00	93,948 88	106,061 12
Parks, Maintenance	1,371 09	2,348 76	15,000 00	18,720 45	1,183 60	6,445 27	12,275 18	
Park Nursery			5,000 00	5,000 00	445 75	2,000 52	2,999 48	
Public Park, Back Bay	6,639 57			6,639 57			6,639 57	469,300 45
Public Park, Construction	483,714 37			483,714 37	58,011 43	183,765 09	299,949 28	
Paving Department:—								
Paving Department			850,000 00	850,000 00	106,907 86	581,740 79	318,259 21	
A-Street Repaving	4,111 14		4,111 14	4,111 14	1,994 44	2,458 14	1,673 00	
Boylston-st. Bridge, Construction of			35,000 00	35,000 00			35,000 00	
Humboldt Avenue	1,479 97			1,479 97			1,452 86	84,547 15
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,298,534 20	\$1,428,773 53	\$7,123,442 26	\$9,820,749 99	\$1,163,700 99	\$4,470,826 24	\$5,851,115 23	\$9,398,844 04

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$1,200.

2 Transferred from Linden Park, \$4,111.14.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,268,534 20	\$1,428,773 53	\$7,123,442 26	\$9,820,749 99	\$1,163,700 00	\$4,470,326 24	\$6,851,115 28	\$9,396,844 04
Linden Park	5,356 04			5,356 04		5,356 04		
Ninth-Street Grading	202 25			202 25		202 25		
Q Street	10,956 04			10,956 04	884 62	6,071 77	4,884 27	16,115 73
Removal and Care of Snow			50,000 00	50,000 00			50,000 00	
Stable, Brighton			5,000 00	5,000 00	1,115 00	3,573 07	1,426 93	
Street Improvements, East Boston	26,996 54			26,996 54	1,299 25	8,182 67	18,813 87	21,186 13
Washington Street, between Forest Hills Station and Ashland Street	37,007 68			37,007 68	12,767 80	35,298 83	1,709 15	40,290 86
Wharf, Paving Department	6,108 16	600 00		5,508 16	24,000 00	24,000 00	26,000 00	
Phillips Street Fund, Income				5,708 16			6,708 16	
Police Department's			1,068,699 74	1,088,699 74	86,700 66	450,804 80	637,894 94	
Printing and Stationery (general)	4,727 61	3,294 63		55,022 24	4,323 50	22,257 18	32,795 06	
Public Buildings:—								
City Building, Beacon Street	3,898 79		115,000 00	115,000 00	16,128 23	79,858 77	36,164 23	
Engine-House, Brighton	22,840 80			3,388 79		3,213 96	174 83	
Engine-House, Charlestown	237 90		8,000 00	22,840 80	180 00	10,257 09	12,583 71	11,416 29
Engine-House, No. 6:—				3,257 90		3,047 36	190 54	26,909 46
Site:—								
Building			25,000 00	25,000 00	173 95	465 29	24,534 71	21,750 00
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	6,834 52			6,334 52		3,169 39	2,165 13	43,987 13
Ladder-House and Site, Roslindale	22,000 00			22,000 00	1,629 50	14,830 62	7,169 38	
Library Building, Dartmouth Street	868,854 89			868,854 89			868,854 43	81,165 57
Police Station-House, Boylston Street	19,947 92			19,947 92	3,366 00	16,369 80	4,578 12	55,421 88
Repairing Old Franklin School-house	8,250 00			8,250 00			8,250 00	
Public Celebrations		365 64	20,000 00	20,365 64		20,343 14	22 50	
Public Institutions, viz.:—								
House of Industry			185,000 00	185,000 00	16,330 06	96,285 19	89,714 81	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,909,743 84	\$1,433,958 80	\$8,712,952 00	\$11,954,829 14	\$1,532,167 27	\$5,272,330 62	\$7,153,640 05	\$9,713,937 08

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,909,743 34	\$1,438,033 80	\$8,712,082 00	\$11,064,829 14	\$1,382,167 27	\$5,272,380 02	\$7,183,640 06	\$9,713,987 08
House of Correction . . . . .	.....	.....	90,000 00	90,000 00	9,246 48	68,939 28	31,060 72	.....
Lunatic Hospital . . . . .	.....	.....	60,000 00	60,000 00	7,179 58	35,623 56	24,376 44	.....
Marcella-street Home . . . . .	.....	.....	42,625 00	42,625 00	6,295 12	27,391 04	15,233 96	.....
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm . . . . .	.....	.....	30,000 00	30,000 00	2,553 02	27,466 38	2,533 62	.....
Alms-house, Charleston . . . . .	.....	.....	17,303 00	17,303 00	1,066 92	10,379 05	6,923 95	.....
Home for Paupers, Long Island:—	.....	.....	45,000 00	45,000 00	6,320 73	28,485 95	21,514 05	.....
Maintenance . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Construction	22,236 23	.....	143,000 00	22,236 23	7 95	18,243 00	3,963 14	84,506 86
Pauper Expenses . . . . .	.....	.....	18,125 00	18,125 00	1,375 71	70,415 18	72,584 82	.....
Steamer "J. Putnam Bradlee" . . . . .	.....	.....	8,905 00	8,905 00	1,263 52	10,985 82	7,439 18	.....
Office Expenses . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	743 55	4,088 77	4,816 23	.....
Alms-house, Charleston, Repairs . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....	1,956 72	1,043 28	.....
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm, Repairs . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	3,000 00	.....
Fences, Lunatic Hospital Grounds . . . . .	.....	.....	3,000 00	3,000 00	.....	.....	196 60	.....
Marcella-street Home, Improvements . . . . .	.....	.....	6,000 00	6,000 00	.....	.....	714 53	.....
Wharves, Long Island:	7,589 90	.....	.....	7,589 90	.....	.....	.....	.....
Public Library . . . . .	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	129 50	7,589 32	2,920 25	.....
Record Commissioners . . . . .	.....	652 80	115,000 00	3,000 00	78 51	78 51	.....	.....
Registration of Voters and Election Expenses:	500 00	.....	.....	115,532 80	8,724 14	53,398 08	62,184 72	.....
Election Expenses . . . . .	.....	.....	5,000 00	5,000 00	249 02	1,629 97	3,370 03	.....
Reserved Fund: . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	500 00	.....	.....	500 00	.....
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,840,069 47	\$1,439,586 80	\$9,960,317 78	\$12,633,978 85	\$1,375,705 67	\$5,617,879 70	\$7,517,285 68	\$9,818,448 36

¹ Transferred from Wharves, Long Island, \$4,500.
² Transferred to Home for Paupers, Long Island, \$4,500.
³ Transferred to Collector's Department, \$4,600.
 Contingent Fund, Joint Committees, \$3,000.
 Cushman School-house, Heating, etc., \$3,000.
 Mount Hope Cemetery, Removal of Gravel, etc., \$1,200.

Transferred to School-houses, Public Buildings, \$35,000.
 City Registrar's Department, \$600.
 Hanover-street Widening, \$4,300.00.
 Roxbury Canal Improvement, \$1,987.16.
 Stony-Brook Improvement, \$9,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$9,818,428 36
Roxbury Canal Improvement	\$1,540,069 47	\$1,433,586 60	\$9,380,317 78	\$12,638,972 86	\$1,575,795 67	\$5,617,879 70	\$7,517,285 68	
Salaries			1,987 16	1,987 16		1,987 16		
Schools and School-houses, viz.:			11,000 00	11,000 00	879 00	5,412 04	5,587 96	
School Instructors			1,242,088 00	1,242,088 00	97,903 12	663,899 86	648,188 04	
Salaries Officers, School Committee			57,760 00	57,760 00	4,818 34	29,242 00	29,242 00	
School Expenses, School Committee			240,000 00	240,000 00	84,779 22	147,533 71	92,467 29	
Gibson School Fund, Income	1,508 87	27 00		1,536 87		374 58	1,156 29	
School-houses, Public Buildings			210,000 00	210,000 00	60,793 99	137,202 80	72,787 70	
Andrew School-house Yard	1,900 00			1,900 00			1,900 00	
Cushman School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00	8,571 10	7,942 65	57 35	
Everett School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00	3,064 30	7,044 26	945 75	
Franklin School-house, Water-closets			3,000 00	3,000 00	1,827 23	2,952 33	47 67	
Grammar School-house, Bennett District,			6,000 00	1,296 87	1,243 09	1,243 09	53 58	
Furnishing	1,286 67			6,552 73	1,801 87	6,388 58	160 15	
Grammar School-house, Combs District.	562 73			10,000 00				124,839 88
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street				17,099 14				18,726 77
Site	10,000 00							104,543 14
Building	17,099 14							
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street, furnishing								
Grammar School-house, South Boston			7,000 00	7,000 00	2,632 04	3,627 44	3,372 56	
High School-house, Roxbury	90,000 00		50,000 00	105,000 00		30,000 00	75,000 00	
Horace Mann School-house	55,000 00		160,000 00	140,000 00		45,643 50	94,356 50	
Primary School-house, Ashmont	5,000 00			55,000 00	2,672 00	2,992 52	52,007 48	
Primary School-house, Blossom Street				5,000 00	2,784 86	4,206 10	793 90	
Site								
Building	10,081 12			10,051 12			10,051 12	107,948 88
Primary School-house, Harrison Avenue	426 49			426 49			426 49	47,729 26
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,123,369 49	\$1,433,618 60	\$11,220,162 94	\$14,777,138 08	\$1,596,088 60	\$6,852,114 19	\$6,626,213 37	\$10,229,223 26

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APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on unimproved public buildings and 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,123,369 49	\$1,433,613 60	\$11,230,152 94	\$14,777,136 03	\$1,596,038 60	\$6,652,114 10	\$9,629,213 37	\$10,222,222 26
Primary School-house, Prescott District	2,822 15	•••••	•••••	2,822 15	465 30	1,059 32	1,762 83	14,237 17
Rice School-house, Water-closets	•••••	•••••	4,000 00	4,000 00	3,329 93	3,329 93	670 07	•••••
Scale of Weights and Measures	•••••	•••••	10,936 00	10,936 00	879 99	4,530 42	6,406 58	•••••
Sewer Department:—								
Sewer Department	•••••	•••••	160,000 00	150,000 00	14,596 16	95,675 00	54,325 00	78,961 79
Sewers, Ashmont District	45,268 60	•••••	•••••	45,268 60	2,333 61	19,220 36	26,048 21	24,486 35
Sewers, Beacon Street, etc.	4,366 10	•••••	•••••	4,366 10	2,164 90	3,851 45	613 65	98,656 40
Sewers, Brighton	25,440 48	•••••	•••••	25,440 48	9,689 43	24,096 97	1,343 51	9,997 53
Sewers, Charlestown	5,077 05	•••••	•••••	5,077 05	•••••	6,074 58	2 47	38,564 58
Sewers, City Proper	27,862 45	•••••	•••••	27,862 45	1,633 34	6,447 03	21,415 42	131,494 50
Sewer bet. Crescent Ave. and Greenwich St.	7,904 92	•••••	•••••	7,904 92	8 75	7,899 42	6 50	164,991 45
Sewers, Dorchester	378 03	•••••	•••••	378 03	•••••	369 48	8 55	35,689 77
Sewers, East Boston	36,092 44	•••••	•••••	36,092 44	6,054 60	21,692 21	14,310 23	49,996 01
Sewers, Roxbury	3,518 61	•••••	•••••	3,518 61	•••••	3,514 62	3 99	49,933 62
Sewers, South Boston	5,843 13	•••••	•••••	5,343 13	482 81	5,276 75	66 38	68,369 22
Sewers, West Roxbury	27,858 25	•••••	•••••	27,358 25	4,692 30	22,754 46	4,603 79	•••••
Sinking-Fund Commissioners	•••••	•••••	2,500 00	2,500 00	177 00	1,346 70	1,153 30	•••••
Soldiers' Relief	75,662 72	•••••	•••••	75,662 72	8,077 00	48,432 00	27,230 72	•••••
Stony-Brook Improvement	687 76	•••••	9,000 00	9,687 76	3,670 34	9,303 33	384 42	•••••
Surveyor's Department	•••••	•••••	32,000 00	32,000 00	2,435 90	14,838 86	17,161 11	•••••
Treasurer's Department	•••••	•••••	38,000 00	38,000 00	2,965 49	17,647 03	20,352 97	•••••
Water-Works:—								
Cochituate Water-Works ¹	221,620 11	257,678 02	•••••	479,298 13	•••••	478,601 57	696 56	6,487,347 98
Running Expenses	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	24,494 38	•••••	•••••	•••••
Interest	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	48,439 41	•••••	•••••	•••••
Re-funded	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	22 00	•••••	•••••	•••••
Sinking-Fund	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
Additional Supply of Water ²	221,620 11	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••	•••••
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,635,607 84	\$1,726,291 62	\$11,466,888 94	\$15,828,688 40	\$1,732,126 90	\$7,449,463 48	\$8,860,216 45	\$17,828,732 70

¹ Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$9,000.
² Total appropriations, \$6,542,884.80; loans negotiated, premiums on said loans, and transfer from Reserved Fund, \$6,542,866.80.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1888-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88. Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures unexpended public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$2,635,607 84	\$1,726,291 62	\$11,466,598 94	\$15,828,488 40	\$1,732,126 90	\$7,449,463 48	\$8,890,216 45	\$17,828,732 70
Extension of Main, etc. ¹	173,622 25	150,000 00	323,622 25	323,622 25	29,768 27	176,066 31	147,565 94	
High Service	258,353 84	137,000 00	. . . . .	395,353 84	16,746 66	74,463 83	320,800 51	406,109 49
Improvement of Lake Cochituate . . . . .	. . . . .	40,000 00	. . . . .	40,000 00	5,248 12	5,248 12	34,731 88	
Introduction of Meters and Inspection:—								
Cochituate Water-Works	65,385 56	. . . . .	. . . . .	65,385 56	1,829 73	13,807 16	51,578 40	
Mystic Water-Works	993 44	60,000 00	. . . . .	993 44	. . . . .	2 53	990 91	
Protection of Water Supply . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	50,000 00	
Mystic Water-Works	38,418 84	32,792 38	. . . . .	71,211 22	. . . . .	125,972 49	(\$54,761.27 provided for.)	
Running Expenses . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	11,567 73	. . . . .	. . . . .
Interest . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	240 00	. . . . .	. . . . .
Proportions paid under contracts . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
Retained . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
Sinking-Fund . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
West Boston and other Bridges . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	8,200 00	8,200 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
Widening and Extending Streets:—								
Widening Streets . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	461 72	3,769 72	4,430 28	
Avon-place Extension	2,000 00	. . . . .	50,000 00	50,000 00	2,409 73	16,249 88	33,750 42	
Beacon-street and Brookline Avenue, Railing Grade. ²	85,821 62	. . . . .	. . . . .	85,821 62	. . . . .	83,628 25	2,198 37	486,592 45
Boylston-street Extension	140,474 34	. . . . .	125,000 00	140,474 24	6,220 70	59,987 84	80,486 90	69,513 10
Commonwealth Avenue . . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .	4,305 06	24,068 06	. . . . .	. . . . .	125,000 00	
Hanover-street Widening	19,788 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	10,500 00	. . . . .	24,068 06	. . . . .	43,305 06
Harrison-avenue Widening	10,500 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	12,735 00	. . . . .	4,970 00	7,765 00	27,235 00
Humboldt-avenue Extension	12,735 00	. . . . .	. . . . .	10,149 08	. . . . .	. . . . .	10,149 08	2,850 92
Kneeland-place Extension	10,149 08	. . . . .	. . . . .	10,149 08	. . . . .	. . . . .	. . . . .
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,458,849 71	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,954,094 00	\$17,244,027 71	\$1,895,639 56	\$6,047,996 37	\$9,751,984 14	\$18,866,338 72

¹ Loans authorized \$650,000. Loans rescripted \$450,000.
 ² Loan authorized \$768,000. Loan rescripted \$750,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONCLUDED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,453,849 71	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,654,094 00	\$17,244,027 71	\$1,805,639 56	\$8,047,996 37	\$9,751,984 14	\$18,866,338 72
Massachusetts Avenue:—								
Land	15,738 00			15,738 00			15,738 00	30,262 00
Building Roadway								140,000 00
Stamford-street Extension	69,804 45			69,804 45		35 00	69,769 45	96,330 55
Talbot Avenue	25,000 00			25,000 00			25,000 00	
Ward Street	1,075 00			1,075 00			1,075 00	6,925 00
Weber Street	33,840 00			33,840 00		8,400 00	25,440 00	34,560 00
Widening Commercial Street	1,796 83			1,796 83			1,796 83	487,708 17
	\$3,601,103 99	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,654,094 00	\$17,391,281 99	\$1,805,674 56	\$8,056,431 37	\$9,890,893 42	\$19,699,019 44
						Less prov. for	556,962 80	
							\$9,334,930 62	

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1896-97.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1897-98, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1897-98.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1897, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$17,828,782 70
Extension of Mains, etc.	\$2,655,607 84	\$1,728,291 60	\$11,466,588 94	\$15,828,488 40	\$1,732,126 90	\$7,449,463 48	\$8,890,216 45	
High Service	173,622 25	150,000 00	.....	323,622 25	29,748 27	176,056 81	147,545 94	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate	259,363 84	137,000 00	.....	396,363 84	15,746 66	74,483 53	\$20,890 51	
Inspection of Mains and Inspection:—	.....	40,000 00	.....	40,000 00	5,268 12	6,268 12	34,731 88	
Cochituate Water-Works	66,385 56	.....	.....	66,385 56	1,829 73	18,807 16	61,578 40	
Myrtle Water-Works	983 44	.....	.....	983 44	.....	2 53	50,000 00	
Protection of Water Supply	.....	50,000 00	.....	50,000 00	.....	.....	(854,761 27 provided for.)	
Myrtle Water-Works	38,418 84	32,792 38	.....	71,211 22	.....	125,972 49	.....
Running Expenses	.....	.....	.....	.....	11,547 73	.....	.....
Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	240 00	.....	.....
Proportions paid under contracts	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Proportions paid under contracts	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Retained	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Street-Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
West Boston and other Bridges	.....	.....	8,200 00	8,200 00	.....	8,769 72	4,430 28	
Widening and Extending Streets:—	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Widening Streets	.....	.....	50,000 00	50,000 00	.....	16,249 68	33,760 42	
Avon-place Extension	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,000 00	
Beacon-street and Brookline Avenue, Railway Grade	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Boylston-street Extension	85,821 62	.....	.....	85,821 62	.....	83,623 25	2,198 37	486,592 45
Commonwealth Avenue	140,474 24	.....	.....	140,474 24	6,220 70	59,967 54	80,486 90	69,513 10
Hanover-street Widening	.....	.....	125,000 00	125,000 00	.....	.....	125,000 00	
Harrison-avenue Widening	19,788 00	.....	4,506 06	24,294 06	.....	.....	.....	43,305 06
Humboldt-avenue Extension	10,500 00	.....	.....	10,500 00	.....	.....	.....
Humboldt-avenue Extension	12,736 00	12,736 00	
Kneeland-place Extension	10,149 08	10,149 08	
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<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,453,849 71	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,654,084 00	\$17,244,027 71	\$1,805,659 56	\$8,047,996 37	\$9,751,954 14	\$18,866,338 72

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Oct. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in September.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including October Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$3,453,849 71	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,654,094 00	\$17,244,027 71	\$1,805,639 56	\$8,047,966 37	\$9,751,984 14	\$18,866,838 72
Massachusetts Avenue:—								
Land	15,738 00			15,738 00			15,738 00	30,262 00
Building Roadway	69,804 45			69,804 45				140,000 00
Stamford-street Extension	25,000 00			25,000 00	35 00	35 00	69,766 45	96,230 95
Talbot Avenue	1,075 00			1,075 00			25,000 00	5,925 00
Ward Street	33,840 00			33,840 00		8,400 00	25,440 00	34,560 00
Webster Street	1,796 83			1,796 83			1,796 83	487,703 17
Widening Commercial Street								
	\$3,601,703 99	\$2,136,084 00	\$11,654,094 00	\$17,391,281 99	\$1,805,674 56	\$8,056,431 37	\$9,890,803 42	\$19,609,019 44
						Less prov. for	555,952 80	
							\$9,334,850 62	

A REPORT
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RECORD COMMISSIONERS

OF THE
CITY OF BOSTON,

CONTAINING THE
SELECTMEN'S MINUTES FROM 1754 THROUGH 1763.



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In the Nineteenth Report of the Record Commissioners the series of records kept by the Selectmen is resumed from the point where it was left by the Seventeenth Report.

The ten years here recorded, 1754–1763 inclusive, were not marked by any very important local events, except perhaps the burning of Faneuil Hall. It was, however, the period of the French Wars, and Boston increased very much in importance as a seaport. Hence much of the work of the selectmen was given to matters of quarantine and of the care of soldiers and other strangers.

The careful observer will find many interesting items, however, in this volume, and there are the usual grants and orders which affect real estate even to the present time.

WILLIAM H. WHITMORE,
For the Record Commissioners.

CITY HALL, BOSTON, Dec. 31, 1887.

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES.

BOOK TENTH.

[2.] At a Meeting of the Select men January 28. 1754
Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

[3.] At a Meeting of the Hon^{ble}. His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, the Gentlemen the Select men and Overseers of the Poor within the Town of Boston on Monday the 11th. day of February A.D. 1754

Present

The Hon. Jacob Wendell Esq.^r
The Hon. Samuel Welles Esq.^r.
Joshua Winslow Esq.^r.
Jacob Royall Esq.^r.
John Fayerweather Esq.^r.

Justices of the Peace

John Steel Esq.^r.
M^r. Samuel Grant
M^r. Thomas Hill

Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Capt. Joseph Jackson
 M^r. Thomas Cushing
 Cap^t Samuel Hewes

Select men

- [4.] Daniel Henschman Esq^r.
 John Phillips Esq^r.
 John Hill Esq^r.
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 M^r. Joseph Sherburne
 Cap^t. Ebenezer Storer
 M^r. John Tudor

Overseers of the Poor

A General Walk or Visitation of the Town was then agreed upon to be attended on Wednesday the thirteenth day of February ins^t. at nine o'Clock in the morning if the Weather be fair, if not, then on Friday following, being the fifteenth instant, and it is also agreed to meet at Faneuil Hall at five o'Clock in the Evening to report the State of the Town &c.

The Order or Sortment as follows, viz^t.

Ward, Number one

- [5.] John Steel Esq^r.
 Foster Hutchinson Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Ebenezer Storer
 M^r. John Kneeland
 Cap^t. Nath^l. Greenwood
 M^r. John Ruddock
 M^r. John Breck
 John Wendell, Constable

Ward, Number Two

John Fayerweather Esq^r.
 M^r. Samuel Grant
 M^r. John Barrett
 Cap^t Jon^s. Snelling
 Cap^t. Alex^s. Sears
 Cap^t. Benj^s. Hamett
 Cap^t. Nath^l. Barber
 Samuel Haley, Constable

Ward, Number Three

- [6.] Abiel Walley Esq^r.
 M^r. John Tudor
 M^r. David Jenkins
 M^r. Thomas Greenough
 Cap^t. John Goldthwait
 M^r. Robert Breck
 Sam^l. Ridgway jun^r., Constable

Ward, Number Four

The Hon. John Jeffries Esq^r.
 William Tyler Esq^r.
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 M^r. John Scollay
 M^r. Samuel Edwards

- Mr. William Larrabee
 Mr. David Jeffries
 Mr. James Pitts
 John Bridge Constable
 Ward, Number Five
 Daniel Henchman Esq^r.
 Thomas Hancock Esq^r.
 Mr. James Bowdoin
 Cap^t. James Scutt
 Cap^t. Thomas Savage
 Cap^t. Thomas Savage (*sic*)
 Cap^t. John Carnes
 Mr. Henry Newman
 Robert Williams, Constable
 Ward, Number Six
 John Phillips Esq^r.
 Mr. Joseph Greene
 Mr. William Fairfield
 Mr. Benjamin Dolbear
 Mr. Samuel Phillips Savage
 Abraham Rogers, Constable
 Ward, Number Seven
 Jacob Royall Esq^r.
 Mr. Joseph Sherburne
 Mr. Peter Chardon
 Mr. John Welch
 Mr. John Simpson
 Cap^t. Hugh M^r. Daniel
 Edward Lad Saunders, Const^o.
 Ward, Number Eight
 Joshua Winslow Esq^r.
 Mr. Edward Bromfield
 Cap^t. Joseph Jackson
 Mr. Jacob Parker
 Mr. James Bontineau
 Mr. Jonathan Payson
 Alex^r. Leblond, Constable
 Ward Number Nine
 The Hon. Andrew Oliver Esq^r.
 Jonas Clarke Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Samuel Hewes
 Mr. Samuel Deming
 Mr. Peter Oliver
 Mr. Jon^o. Williams
 Daniel Bass, Constable
 Ward, Number Ten
 The Hon. Jacob Wendell Esq^r.
 Mr. Middlecott Cooke
 Jeremiah Green Esq^r.
 Joseph Dowse Esq^r.
 Mr. Thomas Cushing
 Mr. Edward Jackson

[7.]

[8.]

[9.]

Dr. Silvester Gardiner
 Samuel Trott, Constable
 Ward, Number Eleven
 The Hon. Thomas Hubbard Esq^r.
 The Hon. Rich^d. Bill Esq^r.
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Thomas Oxnard Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Flucker
 M^r. John Winslow
 M^r. John Lasinby
 Sanderson West, Constable
 Ward, Number Twelve
 The Hon. Samuel Welles Esq^r.
 John Hill Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Hill
 M^r. Thomas Downe jun^r.
 [10.] M^r. Thomas Greene
 M^r. William Coffin
 M^r. John Rowe
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 John Patten, Constable

And the Town Clerk is directed to give forth Copies of the said Order or Sortment accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Feb^r 20th. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing

Thomas Hancock Esq^r. desires liberty to set a number of Lime trees on the edge of the Bank before his land in the Common, & towards the Alms-house & Workhouse to beautify the Common.

Voted, that liberty be granted accordingly.

[11.] At a Meeting of the Select men, March 4, 1754.

Present

John Steel Esq^r.
 M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston, In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at twenty pounds Estate to a single rate (besides the poll) to convene at Faneuil Hall on Monday the Eleventh day of march current at nine o Clock in the forenoon then and there to nominate and choose meet persons to serve the Town [12.] the Year ensuing as Select men, Town

Clerk, Overseers of the Poor, Firewards, Constables, and other necessary Officers as the Law directs, to Grant such Sums of money as may be judged needful for the relief of the poor, and defraying other necessary Charges, to receive the reports of the Town's Committees on several Affairs, to act upon the List of Jurors, to appoint a Committee to visit the Schools, to choose Auditors of the Accompts of the Town Treasurer and Overseers of the poor, to determine what Premium shall be allowed the Collectors of Taxes, and what time the Assessors may sit to make Abatements thereof, to receive and examine the Accompts of the Granary, to consider what salary shall be given to the Masters, and Ushers of the public Schools. To consider of the Petition of Tho^r. Hubbard Esq^r. that he may have a further time in the Cellar he built under the [13.] Granary, in the common than is allowed him by his Lease, the Petition of Sundry Inhabitants for widening part of Ann-street and of several others for paving Beacon Street and Moon Court, and of others for reconsidering the Vote. pass'd in March last relating to the Overseers annually exhibiting a List of the Names of all such persons as have received any part of the Town's Money or any support from them. to appoint a Committee to enquire what fines have been paid into the Town Treasury for several Years past & act thereupon as may be judged proper. to choose Jurors for April Court. and also to act upon all such other matters and things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Select men March 6. 1754 —

Present

John Steel Esq.

M^r. Grant

M^r. Hill

Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.

M^r. Cushing

Cap^t. Hewes

[14.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Live-
lihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1 -	1 -	6
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	1 -	6
Wheaten	1 -	10 -	1
Household	2 -	2 -	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	14 -	3
Household	6 -	8 -	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9 -	12 -	6
Household	18 -	0 -	8

At a Meeting of the Select men March 25th 1754.

Present.

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[15.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an assize of Bread as the same is now stated for direction to the Bakers and Clerks of the Market be as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1 -	1 -	6
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	10 -	6
Wheaten	1 -	10 -	1
Household	2 -	2 -	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	14 -	3
Household	6 -	8 -	4
Twelve penny wheaten Loaf	9 -	12 -	6
Household	13 -	0 -	8

Computed at five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, and the several Bakers within this Town are ordered to mark their Bread which they bake for Sale with the first letter of their Christian Names & with the first & last Letters of their Sir names.

[16.] At a Meeting of the Select men, April 29, 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings & four pence p. Bushell for wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their charges pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		9	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
Wheaten		14	14 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1 -	3 -	13
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	3 -	13
wheaten	1 -	13 -	12 $\frac{1}{2}$
Six penny Household	2 -	7 -	10 $\frac{1}{2}$
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5 -	9 -	4
Household	7 -	6 -	15 $\frac{1}{2}$
Twelve penny wheaten Loaf	11 -	2 -	8
Household	14 -	13 -	15

[17.] At a Meeting of the Select men, May 6th. 1754 —

Present

Mr. Grant
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Cap^t. Hewes
 Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings and eight pence p Bushell for Wheat. & four pence p Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		9 -	4
Wheaten		- 13 -	4.
Household	1 -	2 -	8.
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	2 -	8.
Wheaten	1 -	11 -	12.
Household		2 -	5 - —
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5 -	3 -	4.
Household	6 -	15 -	—
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	10 —	6 —	8
Household	13 —	4 —	—

[18.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 8th. 1754

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Mr. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant, directed to the Constables of Boston, In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, within their precincts, that have an Estate of Forty shillings p. annum of Free hold in Land within this Province or Territory at the least, or other Estate to the value of forty Pounds Sterling to Convene at Fanepil-Hall on Wednesday the fifteenth day of May current at nine o'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to elect and depute one or more persons (being Free holders [19.] and resident in the Town) according to the number set and limited by an Act of the General Assembly to serve for & represent them in a Great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be convened held and kept for His Majesty's Service at the Court-house in Boston upon Wednesday the twenty ninth day of said May, and so de die in diem during their Session and Sessions according to a precept under the hand and Seal of Benjamin Pollard Esq. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk bearing date the twenty fifth day of April, in the twenty seventh Year of His Majesty's Reign Annoque Domini 1754

And alike requiring them to warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified as the Law directs to meet at

the same time and place to consider of the Petition of James Allen Esq^r. and M^r. Andrew Oliver jun^r. that a Road may be laid out at the bottom of the Common [20.] adjoining to their lands. of Samuel Holbrook writing Master of the School in Queen-Street for an addition to his Salary, and that he may supply children with Ink. of Thomas Pearson that an allowance may be made him for his Father's house blown up by order of the Town to stop the Fire that broke out in 1690, of Gilbert and Lewis Deblois that part of Queen-Street may be widened, or a Lease granted them of the Town's Shops there, on such terms as may be thought reasonable. of several Inhabitants that a Burial place may be provided at the South part of the Town; of several others that application be made to the General Court to prevent a Bill relating to the Company of Cadets being pass'd into a Law; of others that some method may be taken to prevent the frequent firing of Chimmies, and that suitable Encouragement may be given for sweeping 'em. Also to Consider what method can be taken by the Inhabitants that they may be releiv'd [21.] as to their paying so large a proportion of public Taxes, to Grant such sums of money as may be thought needful for the relief of the poor and defreying other necessary Charges, to determine what Salaries shall be granted to the School-masters and Ushers to receive the Reports of Committees on several Affairs, to choose such Officers as are wanting, and to act upon such matters and Things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

NB. The poll for the choice of Representatives will be closed at twelve o'clock and a strict scrutiny made as to the qualification of Voters.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 29th 1754.

Present
(Omission)

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings & [22.] Eight pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		9	- 4
Wheaten		13	- 4
Household	1	- 2	- 8
Two penny white Loaf	1	- 2	- 8
Wheaten	1	- 11	- 12
Household	2	- 5	
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5	- 3	- 4
Household	6	- 15	-
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	10	- 6	- 8
Household	13	- 4	

At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 5th, 1754.

Present
M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill

Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

M^r. Thomas Williston is appointed to attend the [23.] Select men in the room of M^r. John Savel who by reason of Age and Infirmities cannot attend that business, to commence the first instant and to have the same allowance M^r. Savel had.

At a Meeting of the Select men, June 24th. 1754 —

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Scollay

Voted that M^r. Thomas Williston have the care and Oversight of all the Watches in the Town and report the behaviour of the Watchmen from time to time to the Select men.

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings and eight pence p. Bushell for Wheat and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers [24.] for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of penny white Loaf		9	- 4
Wheaten		13	- 4
Household	1	- 2	- 8
Two penny white Loaf	1	- 2	- 8
wheaten	1	- 11	- 12
Household	2	- 5	
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5	- 3	- 4
Household	6	- 15	
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	10	- 6	- 8
Household	13	- 4	-

At a Meeting of the Select men, June 26, 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes

Voted, that the Select men visit the public [25.] Schools in this Town on Friday the fifth day of July next, and that the following Gent^{rs}. be desired to accompany them therein viz^t.

The Hon. Josiah Willard Esq^r.
 The Hon. Richard Bill Esq^r.
 The Hon. John Wheelwright Esq^r.
 The Hon. Joseph Pyncheon Esq^r.
 The Hon. Stephen Sewall Esq^r.
 The Hon. John Erving Esq^r.

The Gent^s. the Representatives of Boston.
 The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall D. D.
 The Rev^d. Charles Chauncy D. D.
 The Rev^d. M^r. Thomas Prince
 The Rev^d. M^r. Ebenezer Pemberton
 The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Mather
 The Rev^d. M^r. Andrew Eliot
 The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Cooper
 The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Checkley jun^r.
 Charles Aphthorp Esq^r.
 Thomas Hancock Esq^r.
 Joshua Winslow Esq^r.
 John Steel Esq^r.
 M^r. David Jeffries

[26.] M^r. Williston is directed to acquaint the several Gentlemen thereof accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Select men July 10th. 1754 —

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

The Select men on Friday last visited the public Schools according to their vote of the 26th. of June last accompanied by the following Gentlemen, viz^t.

The Hon. Josiah Willard Esq^r.
 The Hon. Richard Bill Esq^r.
 The Hon. Joseph Pyncheon Esq^r.
 The Hon. John Erving Esq^r.
 The Gent^s. the Representatives of Boston.
 The Gent^s. the Overseers of the Poor.

[27.] The Rev^d. D^r. Sewall
 The Rev^d. M^r. Pemberton
 The Rev^d. M^r. Mather
 The Rev^d. M^r. Eliot
 The Rev^d. M^r. Cooper
 The Rev^d. M^r. Checkley j^r.
 Thomas Hancock Esq^r.
 John Steel Esq^r.
 M^r. Treas^r. Jeffries

And found that in the South Grammar School there was —
 Scholars, in the South writing School — Scholars, in the Writing
 School in Queen Street — Scholars, in the North Grammar
 School — Scholars, and in the North writing School —
 Scholars. all in very good Order

[28.] At a Meeting of the Select men, July 22^d. 1754.

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

M^r. Cushing reported that he had mentioned to the Committee of the old South Church, the desire of the Select men that they may have liberty to erect a small Building on the Land belonging to the Church to put one of the Fire Engines there, to which they gave their consent provided the Select men would remove the same when they should desire it. Whereupon it was Voted that a Building be erected there for the putting an Engine accordingly, and that the same be of the following demensions viz^t. twenty four feet in length, eight feet in wedth, and eight feet stud. And on the 24th of July the Select men gave the said Committee a Writing under their hands as follows viz^t.

[29.]

Boston, July 24. 1754

Whereas the Committee of the old South Church at the desire of us the Subscribers Select men of the Town of Boston have consented that we should erect a small Wooden Building on the Land belonging to said Church to put in one of the Fire Engines of the Town. We hereby oblige ourselves and the Select men for the time being to remove said Building off said Land whenever we shall be requested by said Committee or their Successors to do the same.

Select men of Boston	}	SAM ^r GRANT THOMAS HILL JOSHUA HENSHAW THOMAS CUSHING JOHN SCOLLAY
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At a Meeting of the Select men, July 29th. 1754

Present

m^r Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

[30.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings & eight pence p. Bushell for wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allow'd to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		9	4
Wheaten		13	4
Household	1	2	8
Two penny White Loaf	1	2	8
Wheaten	1	11	12
Household	2	5	-

Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5 - 8 - 4
Household	6 - 15 -
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	10 - 6 - 8
Household	13 - 4 -

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to warn all the the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single rate (besides the Poll) to convene at [31.] Faneuil-Hall on Wednesday the seventh day of August next at nine o Clock in the forenoon, in order to know their Minds with regard to a Bill now depending in the General Court laying an Excise on the private consumption of Wines and Spirits distilled, to appoint a Writing Master for the School in Queen Street in the room of M^r. Samuel Holbrook who has resigned, to make an allowance to said Holbrook for supplying the Scholars with Ink the last year. To consider what may be necessary to be further done for widening Anne Street to receive the Reports of the Town's Committees on several affairs, And to act upon all such others matters and Things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Select men, August 9th. 1754 ———

Present

M^r. Grant
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Hill
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

[32.] Agreeable to the vote of the Town of the 7th. instant desiring the Select men to supply the place of M^r. Samuel Holbrook as Writing Master at the School in Queen Street. The Select men accordingly this day agreed with M^r. John Procter jun^r. for that Service to continue there untill next March upon the following Terms viz^t. to be paid at the rate of Seventy Pounds lawful money p. annum, to be intituled to one half the Perquisites of the School (the Fire Money excepted) and also to have the improvement of the School out of School-hours.

At a Meeting of the Select men, August 15th. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

M^r. Samuel Holbrook desired liberty to open a private School for the instruction of Children [33.] in Writing and Arithmetick. Voted, that liberty be granted him accordingly.

Voted, that M^r. John Tilestone be appointed Usher at the North writing School where M^r. Zachariah Hicks is Master. M^r. Hicks to be paid for his Service as shall be agreed upon or allowed by the Select men for the cur^t. Year.

The Select men pass'd upon the List of persons licenced the last year to sell strong drink both as Innholders & Retailers within this Town.

And also pass'd upon the Petitions for Licences for the year ensuing and the following persons only were approv'd and recommended, viz^t.

(Omission)

[34.] At a Meeting of the Select men, August 21st. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant

M^r. Hill

Joshua Henshaw Esq.

Cap^t. Jackson

M^r. Cushing

Cap^t Hewes

M^r. Scollay

Voted, that the Sum of Thirty four Pounds p. Annum be allowed to M^r. Zachariah Hicks Master of the North Writing School for his Usher John Tileston to commence the 12th. ins^t. to be p^d. him quarterly.

[35.] At a Meeting of the Select men, August 28th. 1754

Present

M^r. Grant

M^r. Hill

Cap^t. Jackson

M^r. Cushing

Cap^t. Hewes

M^r. Scollay

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		18	0½
Household	1 -	1 -	6
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	1 -	6
Wheaten	1 -	10 -	1
Household	2 -	2 -	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	14 -	3
Household	6 -	8 -	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9 -	12 -	6
Household	13 -	0 -	8

[36.] At a Meeting of the Select men, Sept'. 4th. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	9
Household	6	0	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	2
Household	12	1	8

[37.] At a Meeting of the Select men, Sept'. 11, 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 M^r. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

The Select men this day Let to M^r. Robert Peirpoint all the lands belonging to the Town on the Easterly side of Orange Street that lies between said Peirpoint's land and the Fortification he paying the Sum of Forty Shillings lawful money p. Annum to hold the same during the pleasure of the Select men for the time being.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the constables of Boston. In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single rate [38.] (besides the Poll) to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the seventeenth day of September current at nine o'Clock in the forenoon to determine whether the Town will take upon them the defence of a Suit brought against the Assessors by Andrew Oliver Esq^r. & William Phillips and also any other Suits that may be brought against them of the like nature, to consider what directions may be thought necessary to be given to the Assessors about making the Taxes of the current Year to choose Jurors for October Court and such officers as may be wanting.

At a Meeting of the Select men Sept^r. 30th. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[39.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of six shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	or-	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		7	5
Wheaten	11		
Household	14	-	10
Two penny White Loaf	14	-	10
Wheaten	1	-	6
Household	1	-	13 - 4
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	-	1 - 15
Household	5	-	6 - 15
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	-	3 - 14
Household	10	-	11 - 14

At a Meeting of the Select men, Oct^r. 16th. 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Cap^t. Hewes
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

[40.] M^r. Thomas Crafts agreed with the Select men to repair the Town's Shops in Queen-Street near the Orange Tree, for the Sum of Seventeen Pounds six shillings and eight pence lawful money in the following manner viz^t. to cut off three feet of the whole front, to cut off about sixteen feet at the west, and to new frame and make the front and West end, so as to make three Shops, two of twelve feet wide in the front each, the other Shop to be of the wedth of the remainder of the Town's land, to shingle the whole Roof, and do all the Carpenter's work that is necessary to be done, in order that said Shops may be tenantable. The Town to pay for the Stuff Nails and Iron work.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Oct^r. 28, 1754.

Present

M^r. Hill
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[41.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and eight pence p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		7	10
Wheaten		11	9
Household		15	7
Two penny White Loaf		15	7
Wheaten	1	7	3
Household	1	14	14
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	8
Household	5	12	11
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8		11
Household	11	9	6

At a Meeting of the Select men, Nov^r. 25th 1754.

Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
Cap^t. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

[42.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	9
Household	6	0	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	2
Household	12	1	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, Decem^r. 30, 1754—

Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
Capt. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

[43.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p.

Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for Charges pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.-	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

A Petition of a great number of the Inhabitants praying the Town may be Assembled to consider what is proper to be done in relation to an Act lately pass'd the General Court laying an Excise upon the Consumption of Wines Spiritous Liquors &c. in private Families. Read. and thereupon [44.] Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at Twenty pounds Estate to a single rate (beside the Poll) to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Friday the third day of January next, at nine oClock in the forenoon, to consider and determine what may be proper for the Town to do in relation to an Act lately pass'd the General Court, entitled "An Act for Granting unto His Majesty an Excise upon Spirits, distilled and Wines, and upon Limes Lemmons & Oranges." And also act upon all such Matters & Things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Select men, January 8th. 1755

Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
Cap^t. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

[45.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8

Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 - 5 - 9
Household	6 - 0 - 12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8 - 11 - 2
Household	12 - 1 - 8

At a Meeting of the Select men, Janry. 13, 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
M^r. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

[46.] The Select men having received a precept from the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hubbard Esq. Speaker of the House of Representative dated the 9th instant for choosing a Representative in the room of the late Hon^{ble}. James Allen Esq^r. deced. for the remaining part of the present Year. Therefore Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston. In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston (within their Precincts) that have an Estate of forty shillings p. annum of Free hold in Land within this Province or Territory at the least, or other Estate to the value of Forty Pounds Sterling to convene at Fanueil-Hall upon Friday the seventeenth current at ten o'Clock in the forenoon, then and there (if they see cause) to elect and depute a Person (being a Freeholder and resident in the same Town) to serve for and represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly [47.] at their Sessions at the Town house in Boston the fifth day of February next, and so for the remaining part of the present Year in the room of the Hon^{ble}. James Allen Esq^r. dec^d. according to a precept under the hand & Seal of the Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hubbard Esq. Speaker of the House of Representatives bearing date the ninth day of January in twenty eighth Year of His Majesty's Reign annoq. Domini 1755. And alike requiring them to Warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified as the Law directs to meet at the same time and place to determine what Instructions the Town will give their Representatives, respecting a General plan for uniting the several Governments on the Continent, now under the Consideration of the General Court, to choose Jurors for February Court, and act upon all such matters & things as stand referr'd over to s^d. Meeting.

[48.] At a Meeting of the Select men, January 27th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing

Cap^t. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings & four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allow'd to the Bakers for their charges pains, & Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	- 2
Wheaten		12	- 4
Household	1	- 0	- 4
Two penny White Loaf	1	- 0	- 4
Wheaten	1	- 8	- 8
Household	2	- 0	- 8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	- 5	- 9
Household	6	- 0	- 12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	- 11	- 2
Household	12	- 1	- 8

[49.] At a Meeting of the Hon^{ble}. His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, the Gentlemen the Selectmen, and Overseers of the Poor, within the Town of Boston on Tuesday the 11th. day of February A.D. 1755.

Present

The Hon^{ble}. Jacob Wendell Esq^r.
Dan. Henchman Esq^r.
John Hill Esq^r.
John Phillips Esq.

Justices of the Peace

M^r. Samuel Grant
M^r. Thomas Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Joseph Jackson
M^r. Thomas Cushing
M^r. John Scollay

Selectmen

M^r. Isaac Walker
M^r. John Barrett
M^r. John Tudor

Overseers of the Poor

[50.] A general Walk or Visitation of the Town was then agreed upon to be attended on Friday the fourteenth day of February instant at nine o'Clock in the morning, if the Weather be fair if not then on Tuesday following being the 18th. instant. And it is also agreed to meet at Faneuil Hall at five o'Clock in the Afternoon to report the State of the Town &c.

The Order or Sortment as follows, viz^t.

Ward, Number One

Foster Hutchinson Esq^r.
M^r. Ebenezer Storer
M^r. John Kneeland
Cap^t. Nath^l. Greenwood
M^r. John Ruddock
M^r. Robert Breck
M^r. Roger Stayner Constable

Ward Number Two

John Steel Esq'.
 M^r. Samuel Grant
 M^r. John Barrett
 Cap^t. Alex^r. Sears
 Cap^t. Benj^r. Hammett
 M^r. William Larrabee
 M^r. Samuel Procter, Constable

[51.]

Ward, Number Three

Abiel Walley Esq'.
 M^r. John Tudor
 M^r. John Breck
 M^r. David Jenkins
 M^r. Thomas Greenough
 Cap^t. John Goldthwait
 M^r. John Glen, Constable

Ward, Number Four

The Hon^{ble}. John Jeffries Esq'.
 William Tyler Esq'.
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 M^r. John Scollay
 M^r. David Jeffries
 Cap^t. Nath^l. Barber
 M^r. Nath^l. Holmes
 M^r. John Bridge, Constable

Ward, Number Five

Dan. Henchman Esq'.
 Thomas Hancock Esq'.
 M^r. James Bowdoin
 Cap^t. Capt James Scutt
 M^r. James Pitts
 M^r. Henry Newman
 Cap^t. Thomas Savage
 M^r. Joseph Bass, Constable

[52.]

Ward Number Six

John Phillips Esq'.
 M^r. Joseph Greene
 M^r. Will^m. Fairfield
 M^r. Ben^d. Dolbeare
 M^r. Richard Billings
 M^r. Sam^l Phillips Savage
 M^r. Augustus Hail Constable

Ward, Number Seven

Jacob Royall Esq.
 M^r. Joseph Sherburne
 M^r. Peter Chardon
 M^r. Sam^l Edwards
 M^r. John Simpson
 Cap^t. Hugh M^c. Daniel
 M^r. Thomas Chapman, Constable

Ward, Number Eight

Joshua Winslow Esq^r.
 M^r. Edward Bromfield
 Cap^t. Joseph Jackson
 M^r. James Boutineau
 M^r. Jonathan Payson
 M^r. Nicholas Boylstone
 M^r. Alexander Leblond Const^{ble}

Ward, Number Nine

The Hon^{ble} Andrew Oliver Esq^r.
 Jonas Clarke Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Sam^l. Hewes
 M^r. Sam^l. Deming
 M^r. Peter Oliver
 M^r. Jon^s. Williams
 M^r. Robert Clarke Const^t.

Ward, Number Ten

The Hon^{ble}. Jacob Wendell Esq^r.
 Jeremiah Green Esq^r.
 Joseph Dowse Esq^r.
 M^r. Middlecott Cooke
 D^r Sylvester Gardiner
 M^r Thomas Cushing
 M^r. Will^m Blair Townsend
 M^r. Gideon Thayer

Ward, Number Eleven

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hubbard Esq^r.
 The Hon^{ble}. Richard Bill Esq^r.
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Flucker
 M^r. John Winslow
 M^r. Nath^l Bethune
 M^r. Joseph Lasinby
 M^r. Isaac Decoster, Constable

[52.]

Ward, Number Twelve

The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Welles Esq^r.
 John Hill Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Hill
 M^r. Thomas Greene
 M^r. William Coffin
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 M^r. Thomas Downe Jun^r.
 M^r. John Patten, Constable

And the Town Clerk is directed to give forth Copies of the above Order or Sortment accordingly

At a Meeting of the Select men, February 24th. 1755

Present
 M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill

Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for [53.] their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Househod	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	9
Household	6	0	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	2
Household	12	1	8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 5th. 1755

Present
M^r. Grant
M^r. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
M^r. Cushing
Cap^t. Hewes
M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the constables of [54.] Boston. In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at Twenty pounds Estate to a single rate (besides the Poll) to Convene at Faneuil-Hall on Monday the tenth day of March current at nine oClock in the forenoon, then and there to nominate and choose meet Persons to serve the Town the Year ensuing as Select men, Town Clerk, Overseers of the Poor, Firewards, Constables, and other necessary officers as the Law directs; to Grant such Sums of Money as shall be judged needful for the relief of the poor and defreying other necessary Charges, to receive the Reports of the Town's committees on several affairs, to act upon a List of Jurors, to appoint a Committee to visit the Schools, to choose Auditors of the accounts of the Town Treasurer, and Overseers of the poor, to determine what preemium shall be allow'd to the Collectors of Taxes, and what time the Assessors may sit to make Abatements thereof; to receive and examine the accounts of the [55.] Granary, to consider what Salaries shall be given to the Masters and Ushers of the public Schools, to consider of the proposals of the proprietors of point Shirley relating to the Dwelling-house on Deer Island, of the Petition of Hopestill Foster for an abatement of Taxes committed him to Collect, of the several Bell-ringers that an additional allowance may be made them for ring-

ing the Bells to appoint a Committee to revise the By Laws, to choose Jurors for April Court, to act upon all such matters and Things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Select men, March 26, 1755.

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq'.
 Cap'. Jackson
 Mr. Cushing
 Mr. Scollay

[56.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread as the same is now stated for directions to the Bakers and Clerks of the Markett be as follows viz'.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	9
Household	6	0	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	2
Household	12	1	8

Computed at five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, and the several Bakers within this Town are ordered to mark their Bread which they bake for Sale with the first letter of their Christian Names, & with the first and last letters of their Surnames.

[57.] At a Meeting of the Select men, April 28th. 1755.

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq'.
 Mr. Cushing
 Cap'. Hewes
 Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows, viz'.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	2
wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8

Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 - 5 - 9
Household	6 - 0 - 12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8 - 11 - 2
Household	12 - 1 - 8

[58.] At a Meeting of the Select men, May 7th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a warrant directed to the constables of Boston,

In His Majesty's Name, requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston (within their Precincts) that have an Estate of forty shillings p. annum in Freehold in Land within this Province or Territory at the least or other Estate to the value of forty Pounds Sterling to convene at Fanueil-Hall on Friday the sixteenth day of May current at nine o'Clock in the forenoon, then and there to elect and depute one or more persons (being Freeholders and resident in the Town) according to the number set and limited by an Act of the General Assembly, to serve & [59.] represent them in the Great & General Court or assembly appointed to be held convened and kept for His Majesty's Service at the Court house in Boston upon Wednesday the twenty eighth day of s^d. May and so de die in diem during their Session & Sessions according to a precept under the hand and Seal of Benjamin Pollard Esq^r. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk bearing date the twenty ninth day April in the twenty eighth Year of His Majesty's Reign annoq Domini 1755. And alike requiring them to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified as the Law directs to meet at the same time and place, to determine what Instructions shall be given to the Represent^{ms}. relating to such matters as may come under the consideration of the General Court, to consider of the Petition of John Steel Esq^r. & Jeremiah Greene Esq. for repairing the North and South Batteries; the Pet^r. of sundry Inhabitants for paving Long-Lane for paving part of a Street near the [60.] North Meeting house leading into Ship Street, for paving the Highway called Still house Square; of Jacob Wendell Esq. that a reasonable Consideration be made him for his Lands taken to Widen the Street by the South Battery, to consider what method can be taken by the Inhabitants that they may be relieved in paying so large a part of the public Taxes, and the more equal apportioning of them, to determine how far Oliver's Dock shall be filled up; to grant such Sums of Money as may be thought needful for the relief of the poor, and defreying other necessary Charges, to determine what Salaries shall be granted to the Masters and Ushers of the public Schools, to receive the Reports of Committees appointed on several Affairs, to choose

such Officers as may be wanting and to Act upon all such matters and things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

NB. The Poll for the choice of Representatives will be closed at twelve o'clock, and a Strict Scrutiny made as to the qualification of the Voters.

[61.] At a Meeting of the Select men, May 26th. 1755—

Present

Mr. Grant
Mr. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Jackson
Mr. Cushing
Capt. Hewes
Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of four shillings and eight pence p. Bushell for wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		9	4
Wheaten		13	4
Household	1	2	8
Two penny White Loaf	1	2	8
Wheaten	1	11	12
Household	2	5	
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	5	3	4
Household	6	15	
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	10	6	8
Household	13	4	

[62.] At a Meeting of the Select men, June 4, 1755.

Present

Mr. Hill
Cap^t. Jackson
Cap^t. Hewes
Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

[63.] At a Meeting of the Select men, June 18th. 1755

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Voted that the Select men visit the public Schools in this Town on Friday the twenty seventh day of June ins^t. and that the following Gentlemen be desired to accompany them therein viz^t.

The Hon. John Jeffries Esq^r.
 The Hon. Josiah Willard Esq^r.
 The Hon. Richard Bill Esq^r.
 The Hon. John Pyncheon Esq^r.
 The Hon. Stephen Sewall Esq^r.
 The Hon. John Erving Esq^r.
 The Gent^{rs}. the Representatives of the Town of Boston.
 The Gent^{rs}. the Overseers of the Poor.

[64.]

The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall D.D.
 The Rev. Charles Chauncy D.D.
 The Rev. M^r. Thomas Prince
 The Rev. M^r. Samuel Checkley
 The Rev. M^r. Ebenezer Pemberton
 The Rev. M^r. Samuel Mather
 The Rev. M^r. Andrew Eliot
 The Rev. M^r. Samuel Cooper
 The Rev. M^r. Samuel Checkley j^r.
 Charles Aphthorp Esq^r.
 Thomas Hancock Esq^r.
 Thomas Greene Esq^r.
 John Steel Esq^r.
 M^r. James Pitts
 M^r. John Barrett
 M^r. John Tudor
 M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher
 M^r. Treas^r. Jeffries

At a Meeting of the Select men, June 30th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Josh^a. Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[65.] The Select men on Friday last visited the public Schools, according to their Vote of the 18th. of June ins^t. accompanied by the following Gentlemen viz^t.

The Hon. John Jeffries Esq^r.
 The Hon. Richard Bill Esq^r.
 The Gent^o. the Representatives of the Town.
 The Gent^o the Overseers of the Poor.
 The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Mather
 The Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Cooper
 John Steel Esq^r.
 Thomas Greene Esq^r.
 M^r. James Pitts
 M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher
 M^r. Treas^r. Jeffries

And found in the South Grammar School there was 125 Scholars, in the South Writing School 216 Scholars, in the Writing School in Queen Street 180 Scholars, in the North Grammar School 28 Scholars & in the North Writing School 210 Scholars, all in very good Order.

[66.] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	18	0	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, July 2^d. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[67.] Mem^o. July 4: 1755. The Select men this day wrote the following Letter to Christopher Kilby Esq. in London, viz^t.

Boston July 4, 1755.

Sir,

The Town of Boston being in want of a number of good Fire arms by reason that the Province have lately press'd them all into their Service, We embrace this opportunity to request you would purchase for the account of this Town, and send us by the first opportunity in the Fall as many Arms equip'd with Bayonets as Three hundred and twenty Pounds Sterling will pay for including all Charges. this Sum of Money we daily expect to re-

ceive of the Province as pay for the Arms they have press'd, as soon as received we shall remit it either to yourself, or put it into the hands of Tho^r. Hancock Esq. who will take care to transmit it to you. Cap^t. Erving has lately sent for a Number [68.] for the Province, they have sent a pattern we hear to your house, we desire the Arms you sent us may be exactly agreeable to that pattern, we learn the Province have ordered theirs to be made four inches longer, but we desire ours to be exactly three feet eight inches barrell, with loops, but without Slings.

As we are very loth to be entirely destitute of Arms for any time, we should be glad if you would take the trouble of Shipping them in two distinct Vessels, each one Moiety by this means we shall be the more certain of having some supply in the Fall. We desire that you'd Insure their Cost so as to Cover the whole Interest, and we must beg your peculiar Care that the Insurers are Men of good Estates, that in Case the Vessels should be taken or meet with any other mishap the Town may not sustain any loss. We shall depend upon your care that they are well made, Tower proved, & put up in the best manner. We remain, with respect your most humble Servants

SAM^l. GRANT
&^o.

[69.] P.S. We desire the purchase of the Arms with the Charges (taking the Freight into the Calculation) may not amount to more than the Sum of Three hundred and twenty Pounds Sterling

Boston, July 5th. 1755

Gent^l.

We have wrote you p. this opportunity for a quantity of Fire Arms, since which the inclosed came to hand, which we send as part of pay.

viz ^t . Ja ^r . Griffin's Bill on Ja ^r . Fitter Esq. for	£20
Charles Apthorp and Son on Tomlinson & } Hanbury for	60
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We have a prospect of making a further Remittance very soon.
Your humble Serv^{ts}.

SAM^l. GRANT, &^o.

p. Cap^t. Cahail and King

To Christ^o Kilby Esq. & Co. London.

[70.] At a Meeting of the Select men, July 12th. 1755.

Present
(omission)

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constable of Boston, In His Majesty's Name Requiring them forwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at twenty Pounds Estate to a single rate (besides the Poll) to Convene at Fanenil Hall on Friday the eighteenth day of July current at nine o'Clock in the forenoon to determine whether the Town will make any addition to the South Battery for the better Defence of it, besides the

Repairs. Voted in May last, and what may be necessary for effecting the same, also to choose Jurors for August Court.

[71.] At a Meeting of the Select men, July 16, 1755.

Present

M^r. Scollay

The Select men agreed with Cap^t. John Ruddock (agreeable to the Town's order to repair the Batteries) to sodd the inside of the North Battery from the foundation to the top of the uppermost Sleepers with good Saltwater sodd, to put in Scuppers to carry off the Water, all to be done to the acceptance of the Select men, to be compleated by the last day of September next, for which he is to be allowed and paid the Sum of One hundred and forty-six Pounds thirteen shillings and four pence lawful money.

[72.] At a Meeting of the Select men, July 24th. 1755 —

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

The Select men pass'd upon the List of Persons licenced the last year to sell strong drink as Innholders & Retailers within this Town which was approved, excepting such as are dead removed or married as therein mentioned.

And also pass'd upon the Petitions for Licences for the year ensuing, & the following Persons only were approved & Recommended viz^t.

John Holyoke	- - - - -	Dock Square
John Cornish	- - - - -	Marlborough Street
John Ford	- - - - -	On Boston Neck
Edw ^d . Barrett	- - - - -	Cambridge-street
Eph ^m . May	- - - - -	Orange-street
Mary Clapham		Merchant's Row
Roger Lobb		Fish-street
James M ^c .Questeon		

[73.] At a Meeting of the Select men, July 28th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bush-

ell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

[74.] At a Meeting of the Select men, August 12th. 1755 —

Present

Mr. Grant
Mr. Hill
Cap^t. Jackson
Mr. Cushing
Mr. Scollay

The Selectmen this day wrote the following Letter to Christopher Kilby Esq. & C^o. in London viz^t.

Gent^{rs}.

Boston, August 12th. 1755

Inclosed is Thomas Hancock Esq^r^s. Bill on you for Two hundred and thirty Pounds Sterling, this Sum with what we have already remitted you (reserving enough in our hands for the Freight) is about the sum we have to lay out in Arms. We remain,

Gentlemen,

Your humble Servants

p. Cap^t. Gafney & —

SAM^l. GRANT, &^o.

[75.] At a Meeting of the Select men, August 25. 1755.

Present

Mr. Grant
Mr. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq.
Cap^t. Jackson
Mr. Cushing
Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12

Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 - 14 - 3
Household	6 - 8 - 4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9 - 12 - 6
Household	13 - 0 - 8

[76.] At a Meeting of the Select men, October 8th. 1755.

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 Cap^t. Hewes
 Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1 -	1 -	6
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	1 -	6
Wheaten	1 -	10 -	1
Household	2 -	2 -	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	14 -	3
Household	6 -	8 -	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9 -	12 -	6
Household	13 -	0 -	8

[77.] At a Meeting of the Select men, Oct^r. 15th. 1755

Present

Mr. Grant
 Mr. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Mr. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 Mr. Scollay

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains & Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1 -	0 -	4
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	0 -	4
Wheaten	1 -	8 -	8
Household	2 -	0 -	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	5 -	9
Household	6 -	0 -	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	11 -	2
Household	12 -	1 -	8

[78.] At a Meeting of the Select men, Novem^r. 24th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

M^r. Sutton Byles desires liberty to have a Road from the Neck to the Mill standing on the Land he has hired of the Town, and a Round round the Mill for his own convenience.

The Select men having Considered thereof do consent to his or his Assigns making the said Road accordingly.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an assize of Bread at the Rate of five shillings and four pence p. Bushell, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers [79.] for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8	2
Wheaten		12	4
Household	1	0	4
Two penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	8
Household	2	0	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	9
Household	6	0	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	2
Household	12	1	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, Dec^r. 29th. 1755.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of [80.] five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0½
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, January 7th. 1756.

Present
 M^r. Grant
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings [81.] and four pence p. Bushell for Wheat, & four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of penny White Loaf		8 -	2
Wheaten		12 -	4
Household	1 -	0 -	4
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	0 -	4
Wheaten	1 -	8 -	8
Household	2 -	0 -	8
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	5 -	9
Household	6 -	0 -	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	11 -	2
Household	12 -	1 -	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, Janry 28th. 1756—

Present
 M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

[82] Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of five shillings & four pence p. Bushell for wheat, and four pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Livelihood, which is Computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
of penny White Loaf		8 -	2
Wheaten		12 -	4
Household	1 -	0 -	4
Two penny White Loaf	1 -	0 -	4
Wheaten	1 -	8 -	8
Household	2 -	0 -	8
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	5 -	9
Household	6 -	0 -	12
Twelve penny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	11 -	2
Household	12 -	1 -	8

Ordered that the Town clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders & other Inhabitants of the said Town duly qualified rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate [83.] to a single rate

(besides the poll) to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Wednesday the fourth day of February next at nine o'Clock in the forenoon to determine whether the Town will immediately proceed to raise by Lottery or Lotteries the Sum of Three Thousand Pounds lawful money for paving Boston Neck pursuant to an Act of the Great and General Court lately pass'd for that purpose; Also whether the Town will now make Application to said Court that a General Account and Valuation of the polls and Rateable Estates throughout the Province may be taken this Year, and to choose Jurors for the Superiour Court in February next.

At a Meeting of the Honorable His Majesty's Justices of the Peace, the Gentlemen the Select men, [84.] and Overseers of the Poor within the Town of Boston on Friday the sixth day of February A.D. 1756

Present

The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Welles Esq^r.
Joseph Dowse Esq^r.
William Skinner Esq^r.

Justices of the Peace

M^r. Samuel Grant
Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
Cap^t. Joseph Jackson
M^r. Thomas Cushing
M^r. Samuel Hewes
M^r. John Scollay

Select men

John Hill Esq^r.
John Phillips Esq^r.
Dan^l. Henchman Esq^r.
Ebenezer Storer Esq^r.
M^r. Isaac Walker
M^r. Royall Tyler

Overseers of the Poor.

A General Walk or Visitation of the Town was then agreed upon to be attended [85.] on Wednesday the eleventh day of February ins^d. at nine o'Clock in the Morning if the Weather be fair if not then on Friday following being the thirteenth ins^d. and it is also agreed to meet at Faneuil Hall at five o'Clock in the Afternoon to report the State of the Town &c.

The Order or Sortment is as follows viz^t.

Ward, Number One

John Steel Esq^r.
M^r. Royall Tyler
Cap^t. Ralph Hart
M^r. John Ruddock
M^r. Robert Breck
M^r. Tho^s. Greenough
Samuel Smith, Constable

Ward, Number Two

Foster Hutchinson Esq^r.
Cap^t. Nath^l Greenwood

- [86.]
 Cap^t. Alex^s. Sears
 Cap^t. Benj^s. Hammett
 Cap^t. Thomas Ja^s. Grenby
 M^r. Newman Greenough
 John Coverley, Constable
 Ward, Number Three
 Abiel Walley Esq^r.
 Ebenezer Storer Esq^r.
 Henry Atkins Esq^r.
 M^r. Samuel Grant
 Cap^t. John Goldthwait
 M^r. Samuel Edwards
 M^r. John Tudor
 John Wells, Constable
 Ward, Number Four
 The Hon. John Jeffries Esq^r.
 William Tyler Esq^r.
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 M^r. John Scollay
 M^r. David Jeffries
 Cap^t. Nath^l. Barber
 M^r. Tho^s. Sherburne
 James Bailey Constable.
 Ward, Number Five
- [87.]
 Dan^l. HENCHMAN Esq^r.
 Thomas Hancock Esq^r.
 M^r. James Pitts
 M^r. Henry Newman
 Cap^t. Thomas Savage
 M^r. John Barrett
 Isaiah Barrett Constable
 Ward, Number Six
 John Phillips Esq^r.
 Joseph Green Esq^r.
 M^r. Will^m. Fairfield
 M^r. Benj^s. Dolbeare
 M^r. Richard Billings
 M^r. Sam^l. Phillips Savage
 Augustus Hale, Constable
 Ward, Number Seven
 Jacob Royall Esq^r.
 M^r. Joseph Sherburne
 M^r. Peter Chardon
 M^r. John Kneeland
- [88.]
 Cap^t. Hugh M^c. Daniel
 M^r. Thomas Jackson jun^r.
 Andrew Campbell, Constable
 Ward Number Eight
 Joshua Winslow Esq^r.
 M^r. Edward Bromfield
 Cap^t. Joseph Jackson
 M^r. James Boutineau

Cap^t. John Hancock
 M^r. Jonathan Payson
 James Boies, Constable
 Ward, Number Nine
 The Hon. Andrew Oliver Esq^r.
 Joseph Dowse Esq^r.
 M^r. Peter Oliver
 M^r. Samuel Hewes
 M^r. Samuel Deming
 M^r. Rufus Greene
 Abijah Adams, Constable

[89.]

Ward, Number Ten
 The Hon. Jacob Wendell Esq^r.
 Jeremiah Green Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Flucker
 M^r. Thomas Cushing
 Doct^r. Sylvester Gardiner
 M^r. Ralph Inman
 Samuel Harris, Constable
 Ward, Number Eleven
 The Hon. Richard Bill, Esq^r.
 The Hon. Tho^s. Hubbard Esq^r.
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 M^r. W^m. Blair Townsend
 M^r. John Winslow
 M^r. Nath^l. Bethune
 M^r. Benj^t. Church
 Joseph Shed, Constable
 Ward, Number Twelve
 The Hon. Samuel Welles Esq^r.
 John Hill Esq^r.
 Thomas Greene Esq^r.
 Will^m. Skinner Esq^r.
 M^r. Thomas Hill
 M^r. Will^m. Coffin
 M^r. John Rowe
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 John Patten, Constable.

[90.]

And the Town Clerk is directed to give forth Copies of the above
 Order or Sortment accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Select men, February 26. 1756.

Present

M^r. Grant
 M^r. Hill
 Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.
 Cap^t. Jackson
 M^r. Cushing
 Cap^t. Hewes
 M^r. Scollay

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at
 the rate of five shillings p. Bushell for Wheat and four pence p.

Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges pains and Live-
lihood, which is Computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	s.	d.
[91.] of penny White Loaf		8	11
Wheaten		13	0 $\frac{1}{2}$
Household	1	1	6
Two penny White Loaf	1	1	6
Wheaten	1	10	1
Household	2	2	12
Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	14	3
Household	6	8	4
Twelve penny wheaten Loaf	9	12	6
Household	13	0	8

At a Meeting of the Select men, March 1st. 1756.

Present

Mr. Grant
Mr. Hill
Joshua Henshaw Esq.
Cap^t. Jackson
Mr. Cushing
Cap^t. Hewes
Mr. Scollay

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to
the Constables of Boston.

[92.] In His Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to
warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the said Town
duly qualified and rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single
rate (besides the Poll) to convene at Faneuil-Hall on Monday the
eighth day of March ins^t. at nine o'Clock in the forenoon, then
and there to Nominate and choose meet persons to serve the Town
the year ensuing, as Select men, Town Clerk, Overseers of the
Poor, Firewards Constables and other necessary Officers as the
Law directs. to Grant such Sums of Money as shall be judged
needful for the relief of the Poor, and defreying other necessary
Charges, to receive the Reports of the Town's Committees on sever-
al Affairs, to act upon the List of Jurors, to appoint a Committee
to visit the Schools, to choose Auditors of the Accompts of the
Town Treasurer, and Overseers of the Poor [93.] to determine what
preemium shall be allowed the Collectors of Taxes, and what time
the Assessors may sit to make abatement of Taxes, to receive &
examine the Accounts of the Granary, to consider whether any
more effectual method than is already prescribed by Law, can be
taken for promoting a more general Reformation of Manners, to
consider of the Petition of John Hill and Samuel Wentworth Esq^r.
that a further term may be granted them of the Town's Lands on
the Neck already leased to them; of the Petition of Francis
Wells Esq^r. that the Town would abate him Twenty eight Pounds
sixteen shillings and ten pence part of his Taxes; of the Petition
of sundry Inhabitants for paving Long Lane; of others that the
Bell at the Rev^d. Mr. Byles Meeting house may be rung at five
o'Clock in the morning, [94.] to determine what other Bells shall

be rung and at what hours, what Salaries shall be given to the Masters and Ushers of the public Schools, the ensuing year, to choose Jurors for April Court, and also act upon all such other matters and things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting. The Freeholders are also to be Notified to meet at the same time and place to give in their Votes for a Register of Deeds & Conveyances for the County of Suffolk.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 28th. 1756 — Present Grant, Hill, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay, Henshaw.

Liberty was granted for the Schooner Dolphin Cap^t. Wyat to Come up to Town, she having been well Smoaked and Cleansed.

Nath^l Clift Informs that He has brought in His Schooner Success from Frankfort in the County of York, three Women named Pashen Hoodly & Eliz^a. Gew & a Child of M^o Hoodlys.

M^r. Williston by Order of the Selectmen Informed Cap^t. Andrew Duning Master of a Sloop that has brought a Number of French Neutrals from Cape Sables, that He must not Suffer them to Come on Shore untill Further Orders.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 5th. 1756

Present Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay. Ballards Petition

John Bennet Hatter desires to have a License to Retail

Voted that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant for Calling a Town meeting for the Choice of Representatives ; the Same to be on Tuesday the 11th. Inst. at Nine o'Clock in the forenoon.

Voted that the Rev^d. M^r Sam^l. Cheekley Jun^r. be desired to Open the Meeting with Prayer, & that M^r. Grant & Jackson Inform Him thereof.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 12th. 1756.

Present M^r. Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay.

Assise of Bread wheat Set at 5/ p Bush^l. & 4^d. A^{ld} for Charges.

[2.] M^r. Bridges aplyd for Liberty to Exhibit the Micococosm to Publick View — Voted that He have Liberty during the pleasure of the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 19th 1756 — Present Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay.

Henry Neal Wife & one Child from Dorchester in the Manufactory House Lawrence Dobleville at M^o. Kents be Warnd out.

Voted that M^r. Grant M^r. Jackson M^r. Scollay & M^r. Cushing be a committee to agree with some Person to fix up the Vane upon Faneuil Hall Market which was thrown down by the great Earth Quake, the 18th. of November last & to repair the Steeple.

Voted that M^r. Pratt & M^r. Thacher be desired to receive the By Law, & that M^r. Hill Cap^t. Jackson & M^r. Cushing Apply to them Accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 21st. 1756 — Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Whereas there has been & is now a Malignant Fever prevail in Town & Several Persons have Lately died of s^d. distemper, which is apprehended to be very Infectious, The Selectmen Judge it will be for the preservation of the Health of the Inhabitants, & may tend to prevent the Spreading of Said Distemper, if Such Persons as may Die of the Same be Imediatly put into a Tard Sheet, & Buried the Evening after their decease.

Voted that Orders be given to the Several Sextons & Grave diggers, that as soon at they shall Hear of any Person dying of Said Fever that they go to the House of Such deceased Person & Inform their Relations or those who have the care of their Funeral, that they be directly put into a Tard Sheet & Buried the Evening after their decease and Orders were given Accordingly.

[3.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 31st. 1756 — Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Jackson, Hewes and Cushing.

M^r. Bently Master of the Engine at the North end made Application that Dan^l. Baker may be Added to the number of Said Engine in the Room of one deceas^d. — Voted that Said Barker be Added.

Whereas a verry Malignant Fever prevails in Town brought here by the Soldiers belonging to this Province that Came from Halifax, Several of the Inhabitants who Attended them being taken sick & dyed & as Several other Vessells are daily expected from Nova Scotia, with Soldiers, many of whome are vissited with the Same Fever, & as the s^d. distemper is Judgd to be Infectious, Voted that a Memorial be presented to the Lieut^t. Governer desiring that He would give Orders that all Vessells comeing from Nova Scotia or any place that have Sick Persons on board may be Stoppd at the Castle till full Enquiry be made as to their Sickness & the Circumstances they are in.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1st. 1756 — Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes and Scollay.

Orders were Sent to M^r. Hamilton to receive Several Persons that came from Albany in Cap^t. Staniford that are much Indisposed, & to keep them in the Hospital till further Orders from the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 2^d. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hewes Scollay Hill Henshaw Jackson & Cushing.

M^r. Rob^t. Ford Informs that He has taken into His House Hannah Cowell from Roxbury Lives by D^r. John Clarke.

Assise of Bread Wheat at 5 / p. bush 4^d. allowd for Charges.

[4.] Voted that Cap^t. Steel have a draft for His Acco^t. for Sundrys Supplied for the North Battery.

M^r. Glidden to have a draft for four Premiums for His Engine at Several Fires as Minuted January the 15th. Last.

To Warn out John Stricker & Wife who Came from N^o. Carolina in Cap^t. Freeman Lives in a House in Cross Street.

To Order the Sextons to Stubb up some Poisonous Weeds in the Burying grounds near the Alms House.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 9th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay — Voted that the Pavement at M^r Cazneaus Corner near the Market be mended forth with it being verry much out of Repair & that Mess^{rs} Grant, Jackson & Scollay See it done.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 15th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay —

Cap^t Tho^s Donald being Stopt at the Castle William Informd that He has brought in the Sloop Biddeford Fifty Soldiers from Nova Scotia all of them have been sick, but most of them now upon the recovery & so well as to walk the Deck about ten of them are Confined to their Cabins. — Voted that Mess^{rs} Apthorp & Hancock Agents for the Affairs of Nova Scotia be Informed agreeable to a Votes of the Gen^l Court that they have Liberty to make use of the Hospital at Ransford Island for the reception & Accommodation of the Sick Soldiers above mentioned & that M^r Hamilton be directed to receive them as follows.

M^r Hamilton,

Boston, June 15th, 1756.

As the General Court have given Mess^{rs} Apthorp & Hancock Liberty to Improve the Hospital for Such Sick as Come from Nova Scotia you are to receive on Shore Such men & goods as they Send who will take Care to Send down all Necessary [5.] Supplies for them. You must see that the Vessells are all well Cleansed Washd & Smoaked as usual & Let us know as soon as that is done that we may give Orders for the Vessells to Come up to Town.

Voted that the Selectmen Visit the Schools on Friday the 25th Inst^t & that the following gentlemen be Invited to Accompany them at Eight oClock on that day. — Viz^t

Josiah Willard Esq^r.
 Rich^d Bill Esq^r.
 Judge Sewall
 D^r Pyncheon
 John Erving Esq^r.
 John Wheelwright Esq^r.
 John Osburn Esq^r.
 John Steel Esq^r.
 Joshua Winslow Esq^r.
 John Spooner
 the Representatives
 Overseers of the Poor
 D^r Sewall
 M^r Prince
 D^r Chauncy
 M^r Checkly Sen^r.
 M^r Pemberton

M^r Mather
 M^r Eliot
 M^r Cooper
 M^r Checkley Jun^r.
 Tho^s Hancock Esq^r
 Ja^s Bowdoin Esq^r
 Tho^s Greene
 John Rowe
 Treas^r Gray
 Treas^r Jeffries
 Col^o Hinchman
 W^m Cooper
 Middlicot Cook
 Jo^s Feeburne

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 17th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes & Scollay.

Jacob Gould Jeremiah Norcross & Eliz^a Tarvell Applyd to the Selectmen for Liberty to take Several Persons from Ransford Island Lately arrived there from Nova Scotia in Cap^t Dunnells if well & fit to be removed, Accordingly the Selectmen wrote M^r Hamilton the following Order.

Boston June 17th 1756.

Mr. Hamilton

We have permitted M^r. Jacob Gould Jeremiah Norcross & Eliz^a Tarvell to Come down to See their Sons, if the Doctor thinks either of them in so good health & Circumstances as to admit of their going Home & will advise to it, Let them be taken from the Island their Names are [G.] Aaron Taylor Jabez Norcross Zachariah Tarvell Joseph Goodridge & Page Norcross but take under the Doctors hand His Opinion —

S. GRANT.
 T. HILL.
 J. HENSHAW
 J. JACKSON.

Cap^t. W^m. Morton from Philadelphia Informs that Sundry Persons there have the Small Pox by Inoculation Viz^d. about Two Hundred and & fifty that neither He or any of His men have been exposed while there to the Infection & are all well that His Cargo is Iron & Slaves that He has no Flax Cotton or anything Liable to the Infection.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 23d 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Cushing, Hewes and Scollay.

M^r. John Cookson Informed that He has Let a House in Paddys Alley to M^r. Rich^d. Howell who Came lately from Cape Cod has none in His Family but his Wife they are Persons of good repute but He is unacquainted with His Circumstances.

Voted that Berth^o Sutton Jun^r. & John Lawton be added to the List of Engine Men of which W^m. Sutton has the Charge, these two men to be in the room of Benjⁿ. Stevens & Sam^l. Peck.

To Enquire how Long D^r. Burksted has been in Town He Lives near the North Battery.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 28th 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay.

The Widdow Durant Informed the Selectmen that She has Let Her House at the South End to Benj^r. Curtiss from Situate.

Voted that M^r. Laraby Warn Him & Family out of Town.

Information was made to the Selectmen that a House [7.] Near to M^r. Greenought Ship Yard belonging to Elias Robinson & others is in a ruinous Condition & very hazardous to the Neighbours.

Voted that it be viewed & Report.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 29th 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson & Cushing.

The Schooner Jolly Phillips John Wait Master from Rhode Island Stopt at the Castle the Selectmen having Information that S^d Schooners Cargo Consists of Log wood Tar & Flour Apprehend there is no danger of any Infection — Voted that S^d Vessell be Admitted to Come up to Town.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 30th 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Assize of Bread Set at Wheat at 5/ p bush^l & 4^d. allowed for Charges.

Liberty is granted to Edw^d. Langdon to Open His Drain in Fleet Street He repairing the Pavement again to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Isaac Dafform Informs that He has Let a House to George Smith who lately Came from New York is a Lawyer by Occupation & has a Wife Named Margaret but no Children. Knows nothing of his Circumstances.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 7th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill, Hewes, & Scollay.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 21st. 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 23^d 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill Cushing & Jackson.

W^m Morton Master of the Schooner Dolphin Reports [8.] that He came from Philadelphia the 15th Inst^d arrivd Here this day that His Cargo consists of Flour Iron and Pemento desires Liberty to bring up his Vessell to Town which was Accordingly Granted.

Cap^t Stanford Master of the Schooner Jolly Robin from Philadelphia reports that He came from thence on Tuesday the 12th. Inst^d that He has only Flour & Iron on board that He was at the City only four or five days & took in most of the Cargo below the Fort Permitted to Come up to Town — By Mess^{rs} Grant Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Hewes.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes and Scollay.

Nicholas Sturman from Broad Bay Lane.

Isaac Phillips Informs that He has brought from Biddeford M^r Hurly & four Children She is in a House at New Boston near to D^r Mayhews Meeting House.

Assise of Bread Wheat at 5/ p bush^l 4^d allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At a meeting of the Selectmen July 28th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Hewes.

Sent to the Alms House John Presman & Y^o M^cCullam discharged by Gen^l. Winslow from the Army as Incurable. Order Signd by T. Hill & Tho^s Cushing Selectmen by Col^o Hill & M^r Storer as Overseers.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug 4th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Information was given to the Selectmen that the Plague or some Infectious Sickness rages in the Island of Corsica in the Mediteraneanum, Cap^t Alex^r English of the Ship Boston from Cagliary being Sent for He Informed the Selectmen that He left that Port the beginning of May that He heard there that it was verry Sickly at Corsica but not the Plague that He performed Quarentine for [9.] Seven days at Cagliary but it was not required of Him at Walaga to which place He has Since He left the Island of Sardinia & that no Person has been sick on board His Vessell Since He left Cagliary.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug 6th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Information was given the Selectmen that Jaques Morris a French Neutral had come into Town had come into the Town with two Small Vessells full of french Neutrals from Georgia but last from Barnstable, S^t Morris was Sent for & warned by the Selectmen not to Land those Persons in the Town, the Number of them is five men & Sixty Women & Children — about fifty of the above People wase brought in the Sloop Lemmon Barnabas Gibbs Master from County of Barnstable, who was also warned not to Land any of the Persons about mentioned in this Town.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t 11th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant & Hill.

A man at Piersons the Baker from New York.

Voted that M^r Goldthwait be desired to get a List every Month of all Persons warnd out of Town in Order to be Transferd to the Overseers of the Poor.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 18th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

The 16th. Instant Joseph Jackson John Scollay & John Phillips Esq^r. as Overseer of the Poor Sent Edw^d. Bartlet to ther Alms House on the Province Acco^l. He not being an Inhabitant of any Town in the State.

[10.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 25th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

Voted that M^r. Willeston is Ordered to Notify the Several Collectors to meet the Selectmen next Friday at 3 o'clock afternoon

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 30th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw, Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Tho^t Hancock Esq^r Informed that there is Arrived at Ramsfords Island from Nova Scotia a Vessell with the remaining part of the Troops which went from Hence under Gen^l Winslow, the following Vessells Viz^t Schooner Leopard Tho^t Church Master the Sloop

Cap^t Dogget Master, Sloop
Cap^t. Couch Master with about Two Hundred men on. Inquiring of Cap^t Willard & D^r Cast who came up with S^d Vessells they are most of them in good Health on which we gave M^r Hamilton Orders to See that the Vessells & Men are well Cleansed & those of the Men that are well to permit them to depart the Island on Wednesday next & to take Care that the Vessell & Cloaths & Chests be well Aird before they are taken from the Island.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t 31^{* 1756} Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Assize of Bread Set for Wheat 5/ p. bush^l & 4^d all^d for Charges.

Boston Sept 1^{* 1756} At a Meeting of the Selectmen Present Jackson, Hewes, Henshaw, & Cushing.

M^r. Putnam Master of the Dock Engine Applyd for a Premium He being first with His Engine at a Fire at M^r John Welches House in June Last [11.] Voted that He have a draft for the Premium for Working His Engine first at the above mentioned Fire.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept. 8th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill, Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Hewes.

Voted that M^r Larraby be directed to Warn out of the Town Sam^l Legg who lately Came from Newport — that M^r Sever Lately from Rhode Island be Warned out of Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 11th 1756 Present, Grant, Jackson, & Scollay.

Cap^t Tho^t Stanford Master of the Schooner Jolly Robin from Philadelphia Stopt at the Castle on Acco^t of the small Pox being in that Place, on Examination He says that He Left Philadelphia the 29th of Aug^t. His Cargo consists of Flour & Iron that He has no goods on board Liable to Infeccion — Permitted to Come up to Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept 15th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill Henshaw Hewes & Scollay

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept 22^d 1756 Present Grant, Hill, Henshaw, Jackson, Hewes, Scollay.

In Cap^t. Brett from Anapolis came Andrew Reed, Cockran a Carter from Roxbury, in Dupees buildings these two Persons to be Warned out of Town.

M^r Allen Taylor with his Wife came in Brig^t Industry Henry Smith Master from New York Voted to Send for Cap^t Smith

M^r Maugears a Taylor his Wife & Child from North Carolina Voted to Send for Cap^t Truman by whome they Came.

[12.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 27^h 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill Henshaw Hewes & Scollay.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat at 5 P bush^l 4^d for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r 29^h 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Voted that Mess^{rs} Hill, Jackson & Cushing wait on Mess^{rs} Prat & Thacher to revive the By Laws agreeable to the Vote of the Town Last May.

Voted that Mess^{rs} Jackson & Scollay Survey the draw Bridge & if it wants Considerable repairs then to report at the next Meeting & if the Repairs that are wanted are not much then to see that it is forthwith Repaired.

Voted that M^r Scollay acquaint Cap^t John Bradford the danger the Inhabitants are in on Acco^t of the Brick End of His House on Wentworths Wharf, that if He does not Speedily take it down that He be presented.

Voted that M^r Wentworth & M^r Hill be desired to bring in their Accounts of the Gravel they have laid up on the Neck as soon as possible.

Voted that the Selectmen Meet on Tuesday the 12th day of October at the House of M^r John Greateon in Roxbury in order to Perambulate the Lines with the Selectmen of Roxbury between this Town & S^d Town of Roxbury & that the Town Clark write a Letter to the Selectmen of Roxbury to Notify them thereof, & if it should be foul Weather then to meet the next fair day at 10 o'clock in the Forenoon.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^b 6th 1756 Present Grant Henshaw Jackson Scollay.

Mem^o to Settle with Andrew Oliver Jun^r Esq^r. Gave M^r Procter an Order to receive in to the Alms House Edw^d M^cGown a Poor Person no Inhabitants of this Province —

Signd JO^s JAKSON }
JN^o SCOLLAY } Selectmen.

ISAAC WALKER Overseer.

[13.] Jon^s Brown Jun^r is admitted an Engine Man in the Company under Tho^s Bently [having received a dismissal from Capt John Carnes] being in the Room of His Father Deacon Jonathan Brown who has dismissed Himself.

A few days past Capt James Nichols Mast^r of the Sloop Endeavour from Philadelphia being Stopt at the Castle on Acco^t of the Small Pox being in that Place. Appldy to the Selectmen for

Liberty to Come up to Town with His Vessell. On Examination the Selectmen found He had nothing on board Liable to retain any Infection & no other danger, therefore wrote a letter to the Lieu'. Governor desiring the Vessell may be permitted to Come up to Town.

Joseph Jackson Esq^r has applied to the Selectmen for to have the refusall of the Hier of the Towns Shop in which M^r Butler now Keeps when He Leaves it Which was granted Him.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^b 13th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant, Hill, Henshaw Jackson & Cushing.

John Ranstead applyd to have the Care of the New Burying Place.— To be Considered —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct 15th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson & Scollay.

On the 12 Inst. the Selectmen of Boston in Concert with the Selectmen of Roxbury or their Agents attended the Perambulation betwixt the Two Towns, A Report whereof is here recorded as follows Viz^t The Report on File.

Voted that M^r. Hill & M^r. Henschaw be a Committee to Erect a gate at the new Burying ground lately purchased of Andrew Oliver Jun^r. Esq^r.

Cap^t. W^m. Morton from Philadelphia in the Schooner Dolphin Attended the Selectmen on Examination He says He left that Place this day Week His Cargo Consists of [14.] Wheat Flour & Iron & that He has no goods on Board Liable to Infection His men are all well, the Vessell Permitted to Come up to Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 18th 1756 — Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Hewes Jackson Henshaw & Scollay.

Information being given to the Selectmen that the Sloop Edw^d Morton Master from Philadelphia is Stopped at Rainsfords Island having a Man taken down on their Passage from Philadelphia with the Small Pox — Therefore Orderd M^r Hamilton to take the man on Shore into the Hospital & was the best means for His recovery & to take on Shore all goods or Cloaths & Bedding that is Necessary to be Aird & to Air them also to Air & Cleanse the Vessell & when so done to give & account thereof to the Selectmen & to Let no Person come from the Vessell or goe on Board Her. & if there is any Person on Board Liable to the distemper, to Lodge them in the Well House.

Cap^t John Philllips of Marshfield waited on the Selectmen with George Staver a German who He brought with his Wife & two Children as Passengers from Broad Bay — Orderd Cap^t Philllips either to carry them back to the place from whence they came or procure Sufficient Bonds that they may be no Charges to the Town.

Cap^t Edw^d Morton waited on the Selectman & Informed them that He left Philadelphia yesterday Se'night that He has no Person on Boad Liable to the Small Pox besides George Fulford the Per-

son now Sick that his Cargo Consists of nothing but Flour Iron & Soap

Information being given to the Selectmen by D^r W^m. Clark that Tho^r Morton Mate of the Schooner Dolphin W^m Morton Master from Philadelphia is Sick of the Small Pox at His dwelling House in Wings Lane on which two of the Selectmen repaid to His House to Enquire into the affair & proposed to His Wife the removing Him to the Hospital [15.] which proposal she refused to Comply with without the Selectmen would agree to provide everything Necessary at their Charge. Therefore Voted that S^d Morton be removed to the Hospital at Rainsford Island & there taken Care of at the Charge of the Province.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r 20th 1756 — Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

M^r Brett desires Liberty to Open a School for Teaching the French Tongue.

This day gave M^r Hamilton the Keeper of the Hospital on Rainsfords Island the following Orders relating to Cap^t Mortons Sloop now detain'd at S^d Island on Acco^t of the Small Pox.

Boston, Oct^r. 20th, 1756.

M^r Hamilton

When you have Sufficiently washed & Smoakd Cap^t Mortons Sloop & all the goods Bedding and Cloaths (Liable to retain Infection) that are on Board Her you may then let Her depart from the Island.

Signed SAM^l GRANT
JOSEPH JACKSON
SAM^l HEWES
JOHN SCOLLAY.

Lancaster Hill a Free Negroe appear'd before the Selectmen & Informd them that He came into this Town about five years agoe from Charlestown that He first Lived with M^r Tho^r Flucker who gave the Selectmen a Bond to Indemnify the Town from any Charge on His Account.

Whereas upon Examining Cap^t Will^m Morton Master of the Schooner Dolphin from Philadelphia He Informd the Selectmen that when He came up with the Castle on the 15th Inst^t about 2 o'Clock in the Morning the Sentry at the Castle never Haild his Vessell but Sufferd Her to Come by the Castle without taken any notice of Her. The Selectmen Aprehend that if what Cap^t Morton says is True that Such Neglect in the Officers at the Castle may be Attended with Fatal.

[16.] Consequently therefore Voted that M^r Grant Mr Hill M^r Henshaw & M^r Jackson be a Committee to wait on His Honour the Lieu^t Governour Phips & relate to Him the Affair that such Neglect may be remedied in Future — The above Committee waited on His Honour who Said He make Inquiry into the affair & prevent any Such Failure in Future.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 25th 1756 — Present Mess^{rs} Grant Henshaw Hewes Jackson Scollay.

Cap' John Nichols Master of the Schooner Peggy & Sarah from Philadelphia being Stopt at the Castle on examination Says that He left Philadelphia fourteen days agoe that His Lading Consists of Flour & Iron that He has four of His People who have not had the Small Pox that they are at Present all well the names of the above four men are Alex' Campbell of George Town Mate, — Price of Boston Joseph Anderson of Sheepscoot & Tho' Rogers of George Town — Cap' Nichols is permitted to Come to Town with His Vessell & the above four Persons are permitted to Come up in the Vessell Provided Cap' Nichols will Oblige Himself that they shall Continue on board the Vessell till further Orders Likewise Voted that M' Willeston do Vissitt the above Persons daily that any Complaint of Illness they may be removed to the Hospital.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct' 25th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Hill Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Assize of Bread as Wheat at 4/8 p. Bush' 4^d allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov' 1st 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Hewes & Scollay.

M' W^m Powell waited on the Selectmen & Informed them that the Captains Stanford & Dogget from Philidelphia were Stopt at the Castle & that they would not Suffer S^d Masters to Come to Town till ordered by the Selectmen — Accordingly wrote an Order to the Commanding Officer there to Let them Come to Town to be examined by the Selectmen [17.] relating to the Small Pox now prevailing in Philadelphia In the afternoon they waited on the Selectmen & were Examined — Cap' Stanford says His Vessell is Loaded with Wheat Flour & Iron that He left Philadelphia fourteen days past all the People on board the Vessell Saving himself have had the Small Pox — Cap' Dogget says his Vessell is Loaded with Flour & Iron He left Philadelphia Eighteen days past that Himself & three of his men have not had the Small Pox — that they are at Present all well on board Each Vessell the men on board Cap' Doggets Vessell that (Besides Himself) have not had the Small Pox are — Tho' White Bates & Jn^o Fryer a Boy.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov' 3^d 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Hill, Henshaw, Cushing Scollay

Joseph Eliot is appointed one of the Company of the South Engine under the Care of M' James Cunningham in the Room of Nath' Wales who declines Serving any Longer. Said Eliot having produced a Release from Hopestill Foster Captain of the Company of Foot He belongs to —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov'. 10th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay

M^{rs} Swain & Child from Halifax Came with Cap' Will^m. Nichols at S' Henry Franklyn.

Whereas of Late great Number of Strangers have come in to

this Town from diverse places & have some time resided here without Information being given to the Selectmen whereby great Charge is Like to arise on the Town, the Selectmen Judging it Necessary in order to Prevent the above, that two Persons be appointed to Look after all Strangers that come into the Town therefore Voted that Thomas Williston be joined with Deacon William Larraby (Who has heretofore acted Singly,) to Officiate in that Office.

[18.] Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r 17th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

The Selectmen pass'd the Acco. of James Hamilton for Six Months Salary as Keeper of the Hospital at Ransfords Island Ending the 28th of Sept^r last being £6.13.4 —

Susannah Lewis from Abington two months agoe Lives at M^r John Storys at New Boston.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r 24th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

At the Burying Place at the Bottom of the Common Lately purchased by the Town of Andrew Oliver Jun^r Esq^r is now fit to Bury the dead in the Selectmen therefore have appointed John Ranstead to have the Care of S^d Burying place & to Bury the Dead there.

On the 22nd Inst^t Sent James Gordon a Sick Stranger to the Alms House on the Province Account, He Came lately from Lake George has been in the Expedition.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r 29th 1756 — Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat at 4 / 6 p bush^l 4^d allow^d for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r 1st 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Tho^r Britt Informed the Selectmen that Rhoda Johnson who came in (ap^t M^o Cown from Anapolis Lodges at his House on Gidnys Wharf M^r Williston to warn Her out.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at $\frac{3}{4}$ p bush^l 4^d allow^d for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r 8th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

[19.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r 15th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Sent to the Alms House on the 9th Inst^t on Acco^t of the Province a poor Woman from Broad Bay taken up this Morning on the Neck, having Laid there all the Night in a Suffering Condition, Her name is unknown as she speaks no English the Order Signd by Joseph Jakson & John Scollay Selectmen & Royall Tyler Overseer.

Yesterday Cap^t. John Cushing of the Sloop Sea Flower from

Albany being Stopt at the Cattle Informs the Selectmen, that He has been a Fortnight on His Passage has brought with him Several Sick Soldiers which are Landed at the Hyanners He has no One Sick on Board his Vessell has Cleansd his Vessell & destroyd the Bedding the Sick Layd on — Voted that the following Letter be Sent to the Commanding Officer at the Castle.

Boston, Dec^r. 14th. 1756.

Sir

Cap^t. John Cushing in the Sloop Sea Flower from Albany being Stopped at the Castle on Suspicion of having Some Infectious distemper on board & we having examined S^d. Master do apprehend that he may be permitted to Come with his Vessell to Boston without any hazard to the Inhabitants.

M^r. Joseph Webb is Appointed Sealer of Cord Wood that may hereafter be Landed on the Several Wharves in this Town, that are North of the Long Wharf, extending as far as Cross Street.

[20.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Cap^t. Joseph Goldthwaite is appointed Sealer of Cord Wood that may here after be Landed on the Several Wharves in this Town North of Cross Street to Continue in Office during the Indisposition of M^r. W^m. Larrabee.

Voted that Cap^t. Henshaw & M^r. Cushing be a Committee of the Selectmen to wait on the Representatives of the Next Session of the Court about the Land that is Picketted in near to the Powder House.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 22^d. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill. Jackson Cushing, Hewes & Scollay.

Yesterday M^r. W^m. Molineux Informed the Selectmen that Cap^t. Patrick James in His Ship Lyon was daily expected from New Castle & that He had the Small Pox on board had buryed one man on his passage, that He had rec^d. a Letter from Him from Piscataqua where in He says that he has taken all proper Care to fling overboard Beds & Bedding that had been used by the Sick and had Smoakd & Cleansd the Ship Sufficiently therefore wrote the following Letter to M^r. Ball the Pilot of the Harbour.

Boston, Dec^r. 21, 1756.

M^r. Rob^t. Ball.

S^r. as Cap^t. Patrick James in the Ship Lyon is expected to arrive from New Castle & He having had the Small Fox on board on his Passage we desire that when you bring his Ship up to an Anchor off the Long Wharf that He would not Suffer any Person to Come on Shore until the Selectmen Confers with Cap^t. James.

[21.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 27. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Scollay.

The Selectmen gave M^r. Procter an Order to Receive into the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. Eph^r. Gogin, the order Signd by Mess^{rs}. Hill & Scollay Selectmen & by M^r. Storer as Overseer.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 29th. 1756 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

James Scutt Appeard & Consented to Serve as Collector of Taxes the Insuing year & propose Rob^t. Watt & W^m. Hall Leather dresser as Bonds Men — Accepted —

Jon^s. Payson also Consented to Serve as Collector the Ensuing year & proposed D^r. Kast & M^r. Greaton as Bonds Men — Accepted.

Sent to the Alms House Nov^r. 22^d. on the Province Acco^t. James Gordon a Sick Stranger who has been in the Expedition to Lake George & Came from thence some time past.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r 30th 1756 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson Cushing & Scollay

D^r Clarke Informed the Selectmen that two men of Govern^r Shirlys Regim^t were taken down with the Small Pox in the Baraks at Castle Island on which they sent for Lieu^t Irvin the Commanding Officer of that Regim^t & Informd Him of what D^r Clarke had reported & offerd Him the use of the Hospital at Ransfords Island for the reception of S^d Sick Persons or any other that might hereafter be taken down with S^d distemper He paying the Charges that might arise On which He readily accepted of the Hospital as above Offered & agreed to pay all Charges that by any Judicious Physician Should be Adjudged Suteable and Necessary for the Support & relief of S^d Sick Persons. The Selectmen Accordingly gave Orders to M^r Hamilton to Receive S^d Sick Persons & Provide for them agreeable to [22.] the Orders He may receive from the Commanding Officer.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 2^d, 1757. Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay

Information was given to the Selectmen by D^r Clark that a Soldier belonging to Gov^r Shirlys Regim^t is taken down with the Small Pox at the Widdow Jacksons at the Brazen head upon which it was Voted to Send S^d Sick Person Imediatly to the Hospital at Ransfords Island & accordingly agreed with M^r Hartly to Carry them down with the following directions to M^r Hamilton Keeper of S^d Hospital — Viz^t. —

Boston, Jan^r 2^d, 1757.

M^r Hamilton

We Have Sent down to the Island p. M^r Hartly a Soldier belonging to Gov^r Shirlys Regim^t Sick of the Small Pox whome you must recieve into the Hospital & provide for said agreeable to the directions of the Commanding Officer of Said Regiment who will pay the Necessary Charges.

SAM ^t GRANT	} Selectmen.
THO ^s HILL	
JOS. JACKSON	
THO ^s CUSHING	
SAM ^t Hewes	
JN ^o SCOLLAY	

Boston ss. At A Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r 4th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

M^r Willeston Informd the Selectmen that M^r Hamilton is in want of some Beds & Cribbs for the Sick at Ransfords Island. Voted that M^r Grant provide them at the Charge of the Province also that the Sedan for Removing the Sick be broke to Peices. Voted that [23.] M^r. Cazneau make a good Serviceable Sedan at the Charge of the Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 5th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Jackson Hewes Cushing & Scollay.

M^r Sam^l Adams one of the Collecters for the Ensuing year appeared & Said that He would Serve & proposed as Bondsman Andrew Oliver Jun^r Esq^r. & M^r Sam^l Downes which was accepted.

Assize of Bread Set at Wheat at 4/6 p. Bush^l 4^d allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r 11th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Jackson Hewes Cushing & Scollay.

Whereas the Seat of Representatives in the General Court is not full by reason of M^r Tyngs being Suspended Voted that M^r Grant & M^r Hill be a Committee to wait on the Representatives of this Town & Inform them that as there are affairs of great Concern coming at the present Session & the Town being uneasy that the Town at such a Critical Time is not full & to desire them to move the Court that some method may be taken that the Town may not remain deprived of a full Representation.

The assessors represented to the Selectmen that they had finished making the Taxes for the year 1756 and for their government therein had made the rates according to the Tax Act & agreeable to a resolve of the Gen^l. Court upon the petition of the assessors of the Town of Salem in the year 1750 & that in Consequence of following S^d. Rule & by reason of 10 great a part of the Province Tax being apportioned to this Town, the Houses in [24.] Town will pay to the Province precisely One quarter part of what they will Rent for at a Medium besides the other Taxes of the Town & County, which Method of Taxing though prescribed by Law it is apprehended by the Selectmen if continued in will Finally be the utter ruine of the Town—therefore Voted that this Affair be Imediaty represented to the general Court by way of Memorial & that Application be made to the Court for an Alteration both with respect to the Proportion of the Province Tax Layd upon this Town & the Rule of Taxing (which Memorial is on File)

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 19th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Sent James Cawly a Soldier in Col^o. Gridlys Regiment to the Alms House the 8th. Inst^d. on the Province Acco^t. He being in a Suffering Condition the Order Signed by Sam^l. Grant & John Scollay Selectmen & Royall Tyler Overseer of the Poor.

Whereas Complaint has been made to the Selectmen that the Children behave very unmannerly & Indescently in the Streets &

use bad Language, Voted that the Masters of the respectives Schools in the Town be desired to reprove S^d. Children for Such Misdemeanors.

Whereas the Right Hon^{ble}. the Earl of London has this day arrived in Town from New York Voted that the Bells in Town be rang on the Morrow upon this Joyfull Occasion from Seven O'Clock in the Morning till twelve o'clock at Noon & that M^r. Williston do Accordingly Inform the Respective Bell Ringers of this resolution.

February 1st. 1757 Cap^t. Job Bradford in the Schooner Loranio from Philadelphia being Stopt at the Castle on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in Philadelphia Sent one of his men to Town who on Examination by the Selectmen says that they have been on their Passage from thence one [25.] Month that they have no goods on Board Liable to Infection therefore Voted that the Vessell be Permitted to Come up to Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^y. 31st. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Mem^o. to Determine whether Cap^t. Watts shall be prosecuted for the Rent of Winnesimitt Ferry.

Agreed to have the Vissitation of the Town on Friday next.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat at 4/6 p bush^l. 4^d. allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At A Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^y. 9th. 1757 — Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson & Cushing.

This day the Selectmen Let to M^r. Joseph Rhodes the Warehouse He now Occupys on the Dock at the Rent of Five pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence for every quarter of a year that He shall hold the Same, the Rent to Commence from the last quarter, He is also to pay all Taxes that shall be assessed on S^d Warehouse during the time He holds it.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^y. 28th. 1757. Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Cap^t James Scott this day produced to the Selectmen Reciepts from the Province County & Town Treasurers for the year 1755. Voted that He have a Draft for His Premium —

John Ruddock one of the Collecters produced receipts in full for the payment of the Taxes Committed to Him to Collect for the year 1755 from the Province Town & County Treasurers & prayed for a draft for His Premium which was given accordingly.

M^r Tho^s Downe Collector for the year 1754 Produced Receipts in Full from the Treasurers of the Province County & town & desired a draft for His Premium which was Granted

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l & 4^d all^d for Charges

[26.]

Boston March 5th 1757.

Thomas Hartly Keeper of the Hospital at Ransford's Island applied that the Soldiers who have been Sick of the Small Pox at

the Hospital under His care & who are well may be removed Voted that the following Order be given Him

M^r Hartly any of the Soldiers that have had the Small Pox at the Hospital on Ransfords Island that are well & Cleansed may be removed to Castle William, but Observe that what Cloaths they Carry off with them be well aird & Clear of any Infection.

Boston ss. At A Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r 9, 1757. Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Voted that the Annual Town Meeting for the Choice of Town Officers be on Monday the 14th Inst^d & that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant accordingly.

Voted that M^r. Cushing be desired to wait on D^r Sewall requesting him to Open the Meeting with Prayer.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r 14, 1757. Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing & Scollay.

Voted that the Schooner Leopard Tho^s Church Master who was Stopt at the Castle be permitted to Come up to Town Cap^t Church having been examined by the Select men who Informd them that his Cargo which he took on board at Philadelphia Consists of Wheat Flour & Iron therefore conclude that there can be no danger of Infection.

The Schooner Dolphin William Morton from Philadelphia being Stoptd at the Castle also the Sloop Bastine Nath^l. Kent their Cargoes Consists of Flour Wheat & Iron have examined the Masters of both Vessells & conclude they may come up to Town without any danger to the Inhabitants therefore Voted accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r 16th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay

The Selectmen agreed that Edes & Gill Shall Print the Votes [27.] of the Town passed yesterday relating to the Assessors Sitting till the first of April next to make the abatement of Taxes, but as complaints have been made to the Selectmen by Some of the principal Inhabitants relating to some Pamphlets, and other things they have printed in their News Papers that tend to destroy the Principles of the Christian Religion as generally profisied by the People in this Province and M^r. Edes being present the Selectmen Informd him of it in the following Words — Viz^r. —
M^r. Edes

It has been the disposition of the Selectmen to Encourage Persons Industrious in their Business & you in particuler by giving you a full Share of the Towns Business we now deliver you this Vote of the Town to Print but at the same time Inform you, that you have printed Such Pamphlets & such things in your News Papers as reflect grossly upon the receivd religious principles of this People which is verry Offensive and Complaints have been made to us by some of the Inhabitants concerning S^d. Pamphlets & papers we therefore now Inform you if you go on printing things of this Nature you must Expect no more favours from Us. To which M^r. Edes answerd to the following Effect. That He was sorry He had

given Occasion to any Persons to be Offended at what He had printed, but that He would take more care for the future, & publish nothing that shall give any uneasiness to any Persons whatever.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at $4/6$ p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 23^d. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Jonathan Payson one of the assessors of Taxes for the year 1755 produced receipts from the Several Treasurers of payments made them in full. Voted that He have a draft for His [28.] Premium accordingly.

James Cunningham Informd that the Engine whereof He is Master Workd first at the Fire that broke out at Tho^s. Spears the 10th. of March Inst^d. Voted his Premium Accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 30th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

John Corny wife & Child from Marblehead Says He Hired a House of M^r. Joseph Sherburne the 7th. Inst^d. & delivered him the Key again the 28th.

Whereas M^r. Joseph Sherburne has received the above John Corney as a Tennant without informing the Selectmen contrary to Law. Voted that the Town Clerk be desired to wait on M^r. Sherburne & demand of Him Forty Shillings Lawful Money for the Breach of the Law.

Voted that Abijah Adams be apointed to Succeed Deacon Laraby deceased to Look after Strangers that come into the Town & that the Town Clerk give Him particuler directions how to act in that Office.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 6th. 1757 Present Grant Hill Henshaw Hewes Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Cap^t. Wright at the Bare. Voted that M^r. Williston be Ordered to enquire of Elisha Foster concerning one Catherine Richards that He received into His House in Sept. 8th. 1751 and that the S^d Foster do appear before the Selectmen.

Agreed that the Fee or allowance to the Corders of Wood for the coming year be one penny half penny for each Cord.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 13th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at $4/6$ p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

M^r. Elisha Foster appeared & declared that He took Catherine Richards as a bound Servant into his Family for a Number of

years & when Her time was out she returned to Dorchester the place from Whence she Came.

[29.] Ordered M^r Adams to get a Warrant at Justice Steels to Carry out of Town M^r Lyon & Child they are now at the House of David Seaver at the South End they Came from Rhode island last July was Twelve Months & were Warned out of Town.

Whereas it is represented to the Selectmen that the gate & Fences of the North Burying place is much out of repair. Voted that Mess^{rs} Grant & Scollay be a Committee to have the above repaired.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r 20th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

This day Let the new Burying ground lately purchased of M^r Andrew Oliver Jun^r. to John Ranstead for Four pounds lawful Money p. Annum to Commence from the 25th March last.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 25th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 27th 1757 Present Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Voted that Mess^{rs} Grant & Scollay take Care that the Fence round the North Burying Place be Sufficiently repaired. That M^r Hill & M^r Henshaw take Care that the Fence round the New South Burying place be repaired.

Having this day received a Precept for the Choice of Representatives in the General Court Voted that the Town Meeting be on Tuesday the 10th of May next for that purpose.

Voted that M^r Cushing & M^r Scollay wait on the Rev^d M^r Prince to desire Him to Open the Meeting with Prayer.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Select men May 4th 1757 Present Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

[30.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 11th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Indulgence is given for a Month to M^r Seaver his Wife & Children & their daughter Lyon to tarry in Town but if they do not then depart they must then be carried out of Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 18th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Phillip Brock from New Hampshire Sent to the Alms House by Jo^r. Jackson & John Scollay Selectmen & Ryall Tyler Esq^r. Overseer of the Poor.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 30th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Whereas the Sealers of Wood have Informed the Selectmen that they have been Obstructed in doing their duty according to Law at

Sealers by M^r. Gidney & M^r. Rogers therefore Voted that M^r. Jackson & M^r. Cushing be a Committee to Inquire into the above Complaint & see that the Law is put into execution against the above mentioned Persons or any others that may obstruct them in the execution of their Office.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 1st. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Liberty is granted to Isaac Walker & the other abutters on the Common Shore in Sudbury Street to Open the Same they paying the Charge & repair the Pavement.

Whereas Sundry Bakers in this Town have lately got into the Practice of making Loaves (Called Bricks) which are generally found to be much under weight & thereby great Injustice is done to the Inhabitants but as many Persons Choose to take those Bricks & desire that the Bakers may not be prohibited from Bakeing them. Voted that the Bakers [31.] have Liberty to Bake Bricks & that the Clerks of the Market be & they are hereby directed to pass the Same as Legal weight accordingly to the price thereof Provided said Bricks of the price of Four Pence fall but three Ounces Short of its Legal weight in consideration of Loaves of that form drying more in the Bakeing & so other Bricks in proportion to their Value.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 8th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Hill Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

Cap^t. Green applyd to the Selectmen to have the Peat from over the Celler in the Sconce at the South Battery mended.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/3 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 15th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Sent to the Alms House the 13th. Inst^d. Docter Rumbow on the Province Acco^t. a French Prisoner from the Jail where he being so verry Sick could not have propper Accomodations this man was brought into this Port about a year past either in the Woolwich or Lyn man of War — the Order Signed by Joseph Jackson & John Scollay Selectmen & and E. Oliver Esq^r. Overseer of the Poor.

Voted that the Selectmen Vissit the Schools on Fryday the 24th. Inst^d. & the following gentlemen be Invited to accompany them at 8 o'clock A. M.

S^r. W^m. Pepperell
 Rich^d. Bill Esq^r.
 Col^o. Wendall
 John Orsburne Esq^r.
 John Erving Esq^r.
 Judge Sewall
 D^r. Pynchon
 And^r. Oliver Esq^r.
 John Wheelwright Esq^r.

The Overseers of the Poor

D^r. Sewall
 M^r. Prince
 M^r. Checkly
 M^r. Pemberton
 M^r. Mather
 M^r. Eliot
 M^r. Cooper
 D^r. Chauncy
 M^r. Foxcroft
 M^r. Checkly Jun^r.
 M^r. Byles
 M^r. Dana
 Josh^a. Winslow Esq^r.
 Treas^r. Gray
 Treas^r. Jeffries
 Stephen Greenleaf
 M^r. Jn^o. Ruddock
 Charles Apthorp Esq^r.
 Ja^s. Boutineau
 Deacon Marsh
 Rob^t. Hooper Esq^r.
 D^r. W^m. Clark.

[32.] Assise Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 22^d. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant, Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Whereas the Fortification on Boston Neck is out of Repair Voted that M^r. Hill M^r. Henshaw & M^r. Scollay be a Committee View the Same & report next meeting what repairs may be necessary.

Whereas Hugh Hall Esq^r has taken into his House at the North End Peter Ingerfield & his Family who came lately into this Town from Haverhill & has never given Notice thereof to the Selectmen Voted that He be prosecuted according to Law — Mem^o S^d Ingerfield Entred into M^r Halls House the 13th May last.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Whereas it is of great Importance to this Town and to the Province in general that the Magazine upon the Common be well guarded Voted that the following Orders be given to M^r Willeston the Head of the Town Watch.

Boston June 24th 1757

M^r Tho^s Willeston

We would have you to see that two Men from some Watch House in the Town take a Walk twice in a night to the bottom of the Common to See what Care the Watch that are Posted there to prevent any attempt against the Magazine whether they are

watchfull & Keep a good Look out or not Shift your hands each Night & the Hours of Walking & make Report to the Selectmen how you find them.

Whereas Jacob Wendall Esq^r Chief Colonel of the Regiment of Militia in this Town has by Orders of the Court Required the Select men of the Town to make return to Him on the 27th Instant what Stock of Powder & Amunition the Town [33.] is at Present Supplied with & Whereas it appears upon examination that the Town is at present deficient with respect to some of the Articles they are Obliged by Law to be provided with. Voted that Mess^{rs} Cushing & Scollay be a Committee & are hereby Impow- erd to purchase forthwith, Such articles as are at present want- ing, and which the Town are obligd by Law to be provided with with, & make report of their doings as soon as may be.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

On Friday the 24th Instant the Select men Vissited the Several Schools in the Town Attended by a Number of Gentlemen of the Town & Found in the Grammer School at the North Schol- ars at the North Writing School at the South Grammar School Scholars at the Writing School Scholars at the Writing School in the Common Scholars all in very good Order.

Sent to the Alms House the 25th Instant by Sam^l Grant & John Scollay Selectmen & Royall Tyler Overseer of the Poor George Lewis a Sick Soldier who was on the Expedition to Nova Scotia & Lake George He is not an Inhabitant of of any Town in this Province.

Sent Eph^r Gogin to the Alms House the 23^d Instant on the Province Acco^t He being a Stranger Sam^l Grant & John Scollay as Selectmen & Isaac Walker as Overseer Signed the Order.

On the 21st Instant Rec^d of M^r John Rowe p the hands of M^r W^m Powell the Keys of the East Celler in the Town House at the Same time deliverd M^r Powell the Keys He to give the same Rent that M^r Rowe did give which was Ten pounds Lawful Money p Annum.

Voted that Thomas Quynr a Butcher with but one hand His Wife & Children be Carried out of Town they belong to the Town of Brookline

[34.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Select men June 29th 1757 Present Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson & Hewes.

M^r John Rowe took the Key of the Celler under the Province House the East End the 25th of September 1754 & deliverd it up to the Selectmen the 21th of June 1757 at Ten Pounds p Annum

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 6th 1757 Pres- ent Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Sam^l Wells Esq^r Informd the Selectmen that he had Let a

House to Jacob Bucknam (Son of Jons Bucknam Esq^r of Malden) in Frog Lane He believes that his Circumstances are good.

M^{rs}. Hamilton Widow of James Hamilton deceas^d. who Lately Kept the Province Hospital on Ransfords Island deliverd on Account of the Following Articles belonging to the Province that were at the Hospital at the Time of her Husbunds decease Viz^t. 16 Rugs, 9 old Beds, 6 Old Pillows, 9 Blankets, one Close Stool pan, one Bed-Pan, 6 Pair of Sheets, & by the Selectmens Order she has deliverd them to M^r. Thomas Hartly who is appointed to Keep Said Hospital & produced to the Selectmen his Receipt therefore which is on File.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Hewes.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Cap^t. John Cook Master of the Schooner King Fisher & Cap^t. John Robinson Master of the Schooner Bonetta Informd the Selectmen that they Came from New York about ten days past & were Stopt at the Castle on Account of Suspiscion of the Small Pox being on board on Examination of them we find that they have no goods on Board that are liable to Infection therefore wrote the following Letters to Commanding Officer at Castle William —

Boston July 7th. 1757.

Sir

The Schooner King Fisher Jn^o. Cook Master from New York being Stopt at His Majestys Castle William [35.] On Account of Suspiscion of having the Small Pox on board or goods Infected with that distemper have examined the Master & Inquired into the Circumstances of his men & Cargo & are of Opinion the Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without danger to the Inhabitants.

To the Commanding
Officer at Castle William

SAM ^l . GRANT	} Selectmen
JO ^o . JACKSON	
SAM ^l . HEWES	
JN ^o . SCOLLAY	

Boston July 7th. 1757.

Sir

Cap^t. John Robinson in the Schooner Bonetta came from New York the 29th. June says his Cargo is Logwood & Flour has on board nothing Capeable of reseceiving Infection, all his men had the Small Pox Save one Lad which he says never went on Shore.

To the Commanding
Officer at Castle William

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 27th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 16th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay

The Petition for Licences came under consideration & was determined upon.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^d. 17th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Jackson & Scollay only.

M^r. Lowell Keeper of the Powder House waited on the Selectmen they desired Him to wait on them this day week to Sign a Lease to them for the Hire of the Towns Land Inclosed within the Picketts round the Powder House.

[36.] On the 4th. Instant were Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. by Mess^{rs}. Grant & Scollay Selectmen & John Phillips Esq^r. Overseer of the Poor, John Tarbox, Robert Hart, Joseph Peterson, Alex^r. Ogilvy, Neal Williams, Arthur Dolerson, & Joseph Dawson, the above Persons were taken at Oswego & Came from Engl^d. in his Majestys Ship Nightengale & are not Inhabitants of any Town in this Province.

On the 6th. Instant Barnabas Keves (was Sent to the Alms House by Mess^{rs}. Jackson & Scollay) a One Legd man a Stranger & not an Inhabitant of any Town in this Province.

On the 22^d. Instant Sent W^m. Lacky (to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t.) a Sick Soldier of Gov^r. Shirlys Regiment who was taken at Oswego & came Passenger in Cap^t. Trefry from Halifax.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug 24th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat at 4/6 p bush^l 4^d All^d for Charges.

Voted that M^r Cushing with the Town Clerk prepared a Memorial to be presented to the General Court in their present session relating to prolonging the time allowd for Selling the Ticketts & drawing the Lottery, they find that they are much Straitned as to Time, as allso to obtain Liberty to Build a Wharf or House Wall on each Side the Neck to Keep off the Sea from Injuring the Pavement.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^d. 31st 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

At the request of Nath^l Brown Cap^t. of one of the Fire Engines Joseph True was appointed as one of the Engine men in the Room of Richard True deceased.

[37.] This day James Paterson who brought to Town in his Sloop from Kennebeck one M^r Foke a dutch Woman was Sent for by the Selectmen & Ordered by them to Carry Said Woman back with Him to Kennebeck or give Security to the Select men to Save the Town from Charge.

Voted that M^r Cushing & M^r Scollay Employ a Carpenter to prepare Boxs for the Bullets lately Cast for the use of the Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r 7th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing & Scollay.

Tho^t Glover represented from under his hand that He had taken

into His House at the South End Timothy Tylestone from the Town of Dorchester.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r 14th 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Liberty is granted to Hannah Blake to Open a Drain in Orange Street She Engaging to make good the pavement.

Voted that the Town Clerk prosecute Hugh Hall Esq^r for £8 ,, 0 — Old tenor being a Fine which He received as a Justice of the Peace in the year 1747 from M^r Clough for refusing to Obey the Orders of the Fire Wards when the Town House was on Fire, also to prosecute Him for receiving into a Tenement of His is one Peter Ingerfield the the 13th May last without giving Information to the Selectmen according to the Law.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 21st. 1757 Present Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Mem^o. Yesterday four of the Selectmen Viz^t. Sam^l. Grant Esq^r. M^r. Cushing & M^r. Scollay went to Fort Hill & had possession delivered to them for the Town by Joseph Calef of Boston Tanner a piece of Land that for Several years past has been in S^d. Calefs possession bounded Northerly on Land of Phillips & [38.] and others there measuring 178 feet 6 Inches this Line having a Bend in it Westerly on Fort Hill 98 feet 6 Inches Southerly on Land of Brattle Oliver 265 Feet Easterly on Land of Frothingham & Gould 181 feet 6 Inches. —

Said Calef then became Tennant to the Town, there were present there were present as Witnesses Mess^{rs}. Joseph Larinby William Welch & Thomas Pimer.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 23^d. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Whereas the Selectmen are Informed that Cap^t. Arbutnot who has had the Small Pox in the Hospital at West Boston is perfectly recovered & has Sufficiently aird Himself so that there can be no danger of Infection from Him therefore Voted that the day after tomorrow He have liberty to come into the Town to his Lodgings & that M^r. Willeston take Care that the House & everything in it be aird & that after the Nurse has aird and Cleansd herself she be discharged.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 26th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Hewes.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Barnabas Pooley from Marblehead first hierd a House of M^r. Thomas Lee at the North End.

William Dunstone from No. 3 was Kidnapd by one of the Kings Guards & brought to Canso about thirty years agoe Stayd there but a Little while was drafted out of Cap^t. Aldriges Company & Carried from thence in a Sloop Cap^t. Cotman Master to Annapolis there tarried Seven years then bought his discharge of Lawrence

Armstrong & Came to Boston in Cap^t. Peter Blyn where he tarried about a fortnight or three Weeks then went with Cap^t. Nath^l. Donnell to Old York & there Married & tarried there two or three years then removed with his Family to Phillips Town & tarried there about one year then was disturbed by the Indians & removed back to [39.] Old York & tarried there but a Little while & removed to Connecticut & Lived from Town to Town being warnd out & then removed from Wallingsford to N^o. 3 about the Latter end of last February on a peice of Land belonging to a man at Suffield & was to have thirty acres of Land if He tarried there three years but being apprehensive of danger from the Indians Came to Boston.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 5th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 12th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Jackson & Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectman Oct^r. 19th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

Voted that there be a Town Meeting on the 31th. Instant for the Town to determine what may be further necessary to be done relating the By Laws & Orders of the Town & whether the Town will purchase a Number of Ticketts in Lottery N^o. 3 that yet remains unsold in the Managers Hands to Consider of the Petition of Alex^r. Hunt that the Town would Sell Him a peice of Land Adjoining to his Land near Fort Hill.

Yesterday Tho^s Willeston Hierd the House in Queen Street Street in which M^r. Henly lately Lived a £8 — p Ann^m.

Voted that a Petition be preferrd to His Excell^{ty}. the Govern^r. Praying that all Vessells comeing from Halifax may be Stopped at Castle William till their Circumstances are Enquired into, as the Small Pox is prevailing in Halifax.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 25th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay John Metcalf Master of the Sloop Beaver from Halifax reports that He left that place twelve days past and [40.] Arrived here this Morning that besides his Sloops Comp^y He has brought as Passengers W^m. Ingols his Wife & two Children & one Boy, Ruth Story & four Children, Alex^r. Boyd brother to Cap^t. Boyd in M^r. Blanchards Employ Mary Chandler she has had the Small Pox, that yesterday His mate Eliakim Smith Complained of Indisposition & had since broke out with the Small Pox, that himself & three of his men Viz^t. Benj^r. Jones, Rich^d Tower & Samuel Butt have not had the Small Pox, has no Cargo on board.

Voted that Cap^t Metcalf go with His Vessell down to Ransfords Island with his Crew, & that M^r. Hartly recive them into the Hospital the Sick man only for the pressant & that Cap^t. Metcalf Continue with His hands on board his Vessell till further

Orders & that D^r. Whitworth agreeable to the mans desire to attend Him wrote M^r. Hartly as follows :

M^r. Hartly :

We have Sent down to the Island the Sloop Beaver John Metcalf from Halifax whose Mate Eliakim Smith is taken down with the Small Pox you must receive the Said Mate on Shore & take proper Care of Him, Let nobody come to the Island without Leave from us Cap^t. Metcalf & three of His men have not had the Small Pox therefore they must tarry on board the Vessell till further Orders, take the Masters Bed & bedding with Him.

On the 27th. of October Cap^t John Atwood of the Sloop Dolphin from Halifax being Stopd at Castle William on Account of the Small Pox being at Halifax reports that He left that Place Last Saturday Evening that his Vessell is in Her Ballast that he has brought no Passengers that he has three men belonging to his Vessell that have not had the Small Pox that neither He nor his men were on Shore at Halifax that he has now two of His men sick on board with a Flux. Voted that He be permitted to Come to Town with his Vessell that the two men that are Sick be not permitted to Come on Shore untill they are Vissited by a Docter to know what they are Sick off & that a Letter be Wrote to his Excell^y. on the above.

[41.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectman Oct. 27th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs} Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay

W^m Ingols & Ruth Story who Came passengers in Cap^t. Metcalf from Halifax appeard before the Selectmen & say that neither they nor their Children have had the Small Pox that they removed from thence for fear of the distemper that before they Came away they were Carefull that they nor theirs did go near any House where the Small Pox was that they have been particulerly Carefull Since they were on board the Vessell so that they could receive no Infection from the man who is now Sick on Board on this Information they were dismissed.

James Scutt who was chosen Collector last March appeard & proposed for Bondsmen Rob^t. Watt & W^m Hall.

Jonathen Payson who was Chosen at the Same time appeard & proposed for Bondsmen Jon^a Cary & Jn^r Greaton.

On the 29th. of October Cap^t. John Renton of the Sloop Raleigh from Halifax Reports that He left that place this day Seven night that He brought with Him as Passengers M^r. Green three Children & a Servant M^r. Mason an Officers Widdow two Children & a Servant another Woman (whose name He has forgot) & her Sons & a man who was brought into Halifax from Canada that himself & Eleven men Navigators have had the Small Pox that none of the passengers have been where the Small Pox has been that all the Passengers Saving M^r. Green & her family have been on board the Vessell for Eighteen days past that his Vessell is in Her Ballast that He has nothing on board that can be Infected with the distemper Voted that He may come to Town with his Vessell on Monday Next.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 31st. 1757.
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

This day the Selectmen were Informed by Mr. Hartly Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island that the Sloop Beaver John Metcalf Master is Sufficiently [42.] Aird & according to his Judgment may come to Town without any danger, therefore gave Orders for Her Permission to Come up to the Town.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charge.

Mayor Goldthwait Informd the Selectmen that the pavement before his Estate in Ship Street is verry much out of repair & that there is Necessity of its being repaired Imediatly Voted that Mess^{rs}. Grant & Scollay be a Committee to view it & act according to their Judgement about the repairs.

On the 1st. of November Cap^t. James Stuart Master of the Sloop Falmouth reports that he has been from Halifax Nine days was Stopped the last Night at the Castle has brought as Passengers thirty two Officers & Soldiers belonging to the Regiments there & three Women who are also Passengers, three of the Officers being pressant Say that all the men they have with them have had the Small Pox that none of the men have been any where in the Town of Halifax where that distemper was, Cap^t. Stuart reports that he has no goods in lus Vessell that she is in her Ballast only.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 2^d. 1757
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

M^{rs}. Eliz^a Allen Informed the Selectmen that she had Let an House on Wentworths Wharf to one Benj^m. Hamlin from Eastham.

Cap^t. Phillip Drake Master of the Schooner Success from Halifax reports that He has a Number of Passengers on board with the Small Pox on board some the passengers are Officers & Soldiers on the recruiting Account & Some of them are Prisoners from Canada, therefore Ordered Him with his Vessell down to Rainsfords Island and Sent the following Orders down to M^r. Thomas Hartly Keeper of the Hospital.

[43.]

Boston Nov^r. 8^d. 1757.

M^r. Tho^s. Hartly.

Cap^t. Phillip Drake in the Schooner Success from Halifax with a number of Passengers some of them Sick with the Small Pox we have Ordered down to the Island Such of the Passengers that have had the Small Pox before now upon Shifting their Cloaths and Leaving those they put off with you to Air may come up to Town the Sick you must take Care of & receive into the Hospital those that have not had the Small Pox must goe into the Well House till further Orders, Let the Vessell be well aird Cleaned & Smoaked & when fit to come up Let us Know of it—if any that have had the Small Pox have no Cloaths to Shift see that they wash themselves & air & Cleanse themselves & when you think they are fit to Come off Send us an account of it as soon as possible that they may come off.

On the 7th of this Inst^t. November Cap^t. Cosman an Officer upon the Establishment this day Informd the Selectmen that in Con-

sequence of their Orders to M^r. Hartly the Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island Lieut^r. Phillips who came Passenger in Cap^t. Drake a Vessell from Halifax with the Small Pox on board was detained at Rainsfords Island that upon application to the Governer He the Governer had ordered M^r. Hartly to Let S^d. Phillips come up to Town, which Order S^d. Hartly declined to Comply with as by Law he is Imediately under the directions of the Selectmen & could Comply with no Orders that Militated with them — Cap^t. Cosman therefore desired the Selectmen would consider of the Affair and Urged that as M^r. Phillips was an Officer on the Establishment & was not any ways Indisposed that we would permit him to come up to Town D^r. Whitworth also Informd the Selectmen that He had been down to the Hospital & had Seen Lieut^r. Phillips who he said was then [44.] In good Health & had not upon Him any symtoms of the Small Pox that Lieut^r. Phillips declaird that if He could be permitted to Come up to Town & should after his coming up be any ways Indisposed & have any the least Symtoms of the Small Pox attending the Indisposition He would Imediatly return to the Hospital if the Selectmen thought fit or would be removed to any place they should please to direct, the Selectmen accordingly took this matter into Consideration & after some debate came into the followiug Resolution Viz^t. that Lieut^r. Phillips should be permitted to Come up to Town Provided His Excellency the Governor would Engage that He the S^d. Phillips should upon his first Complaining of any Indisposition without making any difficulty, return to the Hospital or remove to Such place as the Selectmen may direct to — Accordingly the Selectmen waited on his Excellency but He was from Home they then agreed to wait upon him the next day Nov^r. the 8th. A.M. the Selectmen accordingly waited upon the Governor & represented to Him how matters circumstanced with regard to Lieut^r. Phillips & the Resolution we had come into with respect to Him upon which His Excellency Assured the Selectmen He would see that Lieut^r. Phillips in Case He should Complain of any Indisposition after His Coming to or have any of the Symtoms of the Small Pox He should Imediatly be returnd to the Hospital or be removed to Such place as we Should provide for Him in the West part of the Town, upon which the Selectmen gave M^r. Hartly the following Orders.

Boston Nov^r. 8th 1757.

M^r. Hartly

Permit Lieut^r. Phillips with his Servants to Come off the Island first Seeing that they bring off no Cloathing that are Liable to retain any Infection — Signed by the Selectmen.

[45.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^r. 9th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Hill Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

The Widow Gray who Came from Marblehead & has been warnd out of the Town has hierd a House of Zachariah Johonnot Esq^r. next door to Deacon Jones in Pond Lane

Mem^o. to warn out George Ray who came from Marblehead.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^r. 12th. 1757
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes &
Scollay.

Cap^t. Christopher Prince Master of the Sloop Dolphin from
Halifax has been from thence Four days, reports that He has
brought as Passengers three of Cap^t. Trefrys men, that his Vessell
is Navigated by six men, that none of the men on board has had
the Small Pox as he Knows off but Himself & One of his men, that
He has that He has on Board about four Hundred Sheep Skins
that were brought on board to Him out of the Town, that the
Small Pox that the Small Pox prevails verry much in Halifax, that
he has no other goods on board but the above Sheep Skins that the
utmost care has been taken by himself & men to prevent any In-
fection coming to the men that have not had the distemper.

Ordered His Vessell remains near the Castle where she now is
or proceed to Rainsfords Island & there continue untill Monday
afternoon, that Cap^t. Prince Open his Cabin Windows & Hatches
& Air his Vessell Sufficiently respecting the Skins we have at
Cap^t. Princes desire given M^r. Hartly the following Orders

Boston Nov^r. 12th 1757

M^r. Hartly

You may receive on Rainsford Island from Cap^t. Crist^b. Prince
a parcell of Sheep Skins see that they are well aird & Keep them
with you till further Orders

[46.] On this 15th. day of November D^r. Whitworth Informed
the Selectmen that a Lad a Drummer from Halifax belonging to one
of His Majestys Regim^{ts} there was broke out with the Small Pox
at the Sign of the White Bear, the Selectmen accordingly Sent
for Cap^t. (Cosman) to whome he belonged & Informed him
of the above & Offerd him the use of the Hospital at Rainsfords
Island for the Reception of S^d. Lad, we Informed Him that the
Charge ariseing on his being there He must pay. He said that
over and above the Lads pay which was Eight pence p day He did
Suppose the Province wou^d pay we told him we could not promise
that, On the whole He said that he would allow 12^d. Sterling p.
day rather than any difficulty should arise, We accordingly Orderd
the Lad down to the Island in Hartlys Boat & Orderd him to
take good Care of Him.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 16th. 1757
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Cushing & Scollay

The Owners of the Sheep Skins taken out of Cap^t. Princes Ves-
sell & Sent down to Rainsfords Island to air, applyd to the Select-
man for Liberty to take them off the Island therefore gave them
the following order to M^r. Hartly

Boston Nov^r. 16th. 1757

M^r. Hartly

When the Sheep Skins which Cap^t. Prince put on Shore at the
Island are Sufficiently aird then deliver them to John Bodge &
James Towell taking their Receipt for them

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 21^d. 1757
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes &
Scollay

Information being made to the Selectmen that one [47.] Vickers a man from Rainsfords Island who came in Cap^t. Drake from Halifax was taken down with the Small Pox in his House Opposite M^r. Glidden at the North End as his remaining where he now is will be of the greatest danger to the Town, & as S^d. Vickers Chooses if He is to be moved that he be Sent down to Rainsfords Island therefore Voted that a Boat be procured & that he be Sent down this afternoon We accordingly agreed with M^r. Knox to Carry Him down this afternoon in his Lighter, as it will be difficult to secure the Hospital Boat from the Island in time, the Selectmen wrote to M^r. Hartly the following Order

Boston, Nov^r. 21^d. 1757.

M^r. Hartly

Receive into the Hospital — Vickers a man Sick with the Small Pox & take the utmost Care of Him as to His recovery.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 23^d. 1757
Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Cap^t. Peter Sinclair Master of the Ship Bristol from Halifax being Stopped at Castle William on Account of the Small Pox being there reports that he has been from thence Nine days, that he has no Loading on board his Vessell, took no goods from on Shore, that he has brought as passengers diverse Persons a List of them He will furnish the Selectmen with, that He has no Sort of Sickness on Board.

Mingo a Negroe man belonging to M^r. Gardner of Nantucket, who has for Several years been in this Town & who for some time has been unable to maintain himself, & is now in the Work House, as he is property of the Heirs of S^d. Gardner, & in order to prevent his [48.] becoming a Charge to the Town, Voted that He be Sent to Nantucket by Cap^t. Joseph Rotch & that the following Letter be Sent to the Selectmen of Nantucket concerning S^d. Negroe.

Gentlemen

Boston Nov^r. 23^d. 1757

We the Subscribers Selectmen of this Town Herewith Send you a Negro man Named Thomas Alias Mingo who has been here (as we are Informed) Several years. He belonged to M^r. Gardner of your Town now deceased & is Still the property of His Heirs & as we cant tell who they are we think best to Send him to you Gentleman that you may deliver him to S^d. Heirs as he belongs to the deceased M^r. Gardners Estate. The Town has been at some expense in Supporting Him which the Heirs will pay as soon as we Send the Acco^t. thereof, they being by Law Obligated to do it we are Gentlemen

Your H^{on}. Serv^{ts}.

The Selectmen.

To the Selectmen of
Nantucket.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 28th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Nath^l. Clift Master of the Schooner Success is arrived from Halifax M^r. David Gleason who came Passenger in her Informs the Selectmen that they have been out Fifteen days & on the 26th. Inst^t. came to anchor in Nantasket Road where S^d. Schooner now Lyes that they brought no Sort of Cargo in the Vessell having only her ballast on board, there is not any Person on board that has the least Indisposition praying for Liberty that S^d. Vessell may come up to Town.

Liberty is granted Accordingly.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. allowd for Charges

[49.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 3^d. 1757

John Cosman Esq^r. Captain in his Majestys 45th. Regiment Ap- plyd to the Selectmen that they would (agreeable to a Law of this Province passd the General Court in their Present Session) provide a Suteable place to Quarter and Billet one Captain one Serjant one Corporal one drummer & one Private belonging to the S^d. 45th. Regiment where upon the Selectmen Imediatly Orderd that they should be quarterd & billeted at Rob^t. Stones Inholder in King Street & deliverd to S^d. Cap^t. Cosman the following orders to S^d. Stone for that purpose Viz^t.

Boston Decemb^r. 3^d. 1757.

Sir

Whereas application has been made to us the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Boston by Cap^t. John Cosman recruiting Officer in the Troops Employd in his Majestys Service for the protection & defence of his Majestys Colonys upon the Continent of North America to quarter and Billet such recruiting Officers & Soldiers in Some of the Public Houses in the Town of Boston Licensed for the Selling within doors Wine Rum or other Strong Liquors by retail according to the Law in Such Cases provided — and you being the Occupier of Such Licensed Houses in Said Town — In pursuance of S^d. Law We hereby apoint & Order One Captain, One Serjant, One Corporal, one Drummer, & one Private belonging to his Majestys 45th. Regiment to Quarter & Billet at your House and we hereby Command you to receive & Quarter & Billet them according to the Law a foresaid. Fail not as you would answer the Contrary at your Peril as in S^d. Law is Provided.

Signed by the Selectmen

To Robert Stone Inholder }
in King Street }

On the 2^d. Instant Sent to the Alms House Jn^o. Tupper a Stranger no Inhabitant of this Province a dischargd Soldier from Some Regim^t. in Nova Scotia He came from thence in Captain Sinclair.

[50.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 5th. 1757

Application was made by Cap^t. Tho^s. Moncrief to Provide Quarters & Billeting for one Captain one Serjeant one Corporal one Drummer & three Privates, ordered that one Captain & one Private be at Weatherheads one Searjeant one Corporal & one drummer at John Burroughs two Privates at Dan^l. Silbys.

Upon Application made by Rob^t. Stone who had on the 3^d. Instant one Captain one Serjeant one Corporal one drummer & one Private Quartered upon him praying that some of them may be removed from his House, as he apprehends He has more than his proportion Orderd that one Serjeant one Corporal & one Drummer be removed from his House to James Davenport Inholder at North End — Orders on the above were given accordingly —

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acc^t. Tho^s. Pratt a Stranger who came from Newfoundland in Cap^t. Archer Signd by John Scollay & Sam^l. Grant Selectmen & Royall Tyler Overseer.

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. Patrick Ryan a Stranger no Inhabitant of this Province He came from Newfoundland in Cap^t. Stephen Brown —

On the 6th. Instant Sent W^m. Wallet to the Alms House on the Province Acc^t. He is a Stranger no Inhabitant of this Province He came from Halifax in Cap^t. S^t. Clair He is a dischargd Soldier.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 7th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hill Cushing Scollay — On the 8th Instant the Selectmen removed the Corporal Sent to M^r. Burroughs, to James Gooch Esq^t. Inholder in King Street at the request of his officer.

M^r. Jon^s Payson one of the Collectors of Taxes Chose in March last appeard & proposed John Greateon of Roxbury & Jonathan [51.] Carey of Boston for his Sureties in that Office which were Accepted.

Cap^t. James Scutt another Collector appeard & proposed Paul Baxter & W^m. Hall for his Sureties — which were Accepted.

M^r. Samuel Adams another Collector appeard & proposed Andrew Oliver Esq^t. & Sam^l. Downe for his Sureties — which were Accepted.

M^r. John Ruddock the other Collector proposed Nath^l. Greenwood & Caleb Parker for his Sureties — which were Accepted.

On the 12th. Instant Cap^t. Benj^a. Homer Master of the Sloop Good Intent from Halifax being Stopt at the Castle Reports, that He has been from Halifax Eight days, that He has no goods on board Liable to any Infection that he has no Cargo on board & that no Person on board Complains of any Indisposition, that himself & another Man has not had the Small Pox, all the rest of his men have had it, that He has brought with him as passengers Cap^t. Ichabod Jones & W^m. Gally of this Town — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 14th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Hill Henshaw Cushing Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

Cap^t. Kenny waited on the Selectmen & Informd them that he came from Broad Bay with his Wife and Five Children in Cap^t.

Jon^a. Buck of Haverhill on which Cap^t. Buck waited on the Selectmen & Informed them that He took on board the abovesaid Kenny & Family at Marblehead & brought them from thence here, therefore the Selectmen demanded of Cap^t. Buck that he back to Marblehead the above said Kenny & Family or give Bond—He agreed to Carry them back to Marblehead rather than to give Bond.

[52.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 21th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay.

Application was made to the Selectmen by M^r. Phillip Freeman that a Negroe man named Jack Hearvey from Hingham might have Liberty to Continue in this Town—Voted that He depart the Town & that He on no Consideration be permitted to Continue in.

On the 19th. Instant the Selectmen Sent to John Marston Inholder at the Sign of the Golden Ball two Privates of the first or Royal Regim^t. to Quarter & Billet.

On the 20th. Inst^t. Sent to Cap^t. Day at the Sun Tavern one private of the 40th. Regim^t. to Quarter & Billet.

On the 23^d. Inst^t. Sent to M^r. Bean at the Bull Tavern one Sergeant & one Private of the 47th. Regim^t. to Quarter.

The Same day Sent to John Ridgway Inholder in Shrimptons Lane one Drummer & one Private of the 47th. Regiment to Quarter.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 26th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Applications was made to the Selectmen by Nath^l. Brown Master of one of the North Engines for a man to Supply the place of W^m. Vane deceas^d. He desired that Joseph Peirce distiller be the Man. Voted that S^d. Peirce Supply the place of S^d. Vane as above.

Mathew Stuart Informs by Certificate from under his hand that He has Let a House at the South End to John Lawrance Housewright who came from Brantry with his Wife & two Children.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 28th. 1757 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay.

On the 31st. of this Month Sent a Sergeant of Cap^t. Gorhams Comp^y. of Rangers to W^m. COWELLS for Quarters.

[53.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 4th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Jackson Hewes Cushing and Scollay.

W^m. Clark Informs the Selectmen that Has received into his House W^m. Brooks a discharged Soldier from Halifax.

Voted that M^r. Hill & M^r. Cushing be a Committee to wait on M^r. Palfry Cap^t. Gould & M^r. Cord Wing to get from them their Evidence in Perpetuam rei Memoriam relating the Towns Land on Fort Hill—

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 10th. 1758 Present Mess^r. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Cap^t. Benj^t. Parrot Master of the Sloop Dolphin reports that He has been Nine days from Halifax that he has brought no goods in his Vessell Saving Sixteen Barrells of Sugar & no other Passengers than M^r. Hugh M^d Daniel of this Town that He has no Sickness on board & nothing Liable to any Infection, that his Vessell was stopped the last Night at the Castle Voted that He be permitted to brign his Vessell up to Town.

Cap^t Tho^s. Metcalf Master of the Sloop Beaver reports that He has been Seven days from Halifax that his Vessell was Stopped at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox that he has brought no Sort of goods in his Vessell that he has as passengers twenty four regular Soldiers on the recruiting Service & Seventeen Provincials that came from Canada — By Order of His Excellency the Regulers & Provincials are to be received at the Castle therefore Voted that He be permitted to Come up to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 18th. 1758 Present Mess^r. Grant Jackson Henshaw & Scollay.

Zebulon Sylvester a Barber Informs the Selectmen that Nineteen days past He received as a Journeyman Sam^l. Gilbert from Connecticut.

[54.] On the 16th. Instant Cap^t. James Bruce Master of the Ship Martha from New York reports that He left that Place Fifteen days agoe was Stopped at the Castle on Acco^t. of the Small Pox, that He has no Cargo on board, that he took nothing from on Shore Liable to any Infection, that He brought no Passengers that none of his People are Liable to the distemper — Voted that He be permitted to Come up to Town with his Vesell.

17th. Instant Sent James Griffin a Stranger to the Alms House an Invalid from Halifax he came in Cap^t. Sinclair belong Lasscells Regiment, Order Signd by Jo^s. Jackson & John Scollay Selectmen & Royall Tyler Overseer.

Assise Bread Set as Wheat at 4/2 p. bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

On the 19th. Instant Cap^t. Robert M^cCown in the Sloop Endeavour from Halifax reports that he left that place Six days past & was Stopped this day at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox, that He has no Cargo on board that He has brought Six passengers, two of which are dismissed Soldiers the other four Persons are Traders that went from hence with Cap^t. M^cCown, that no Person on board his Vessell are Liable to the distemper, that He took the greatest Care that no Person or thing Should Come on board his Vessell whereby the distemper might be Communicated — Voted that He be permitted to Come up to Town with his Vessell.

Boston Jan^r. 20th. 1758. Cap^t. Edw^d. Doten of the Schooner Abigail reports that He left Halifax this day Se'night & was Stopped yesterday at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox, that he has brought in his Vessell as Passengers, Rich^d. Codman of Charles-

town & his Brother & Lieut^r. Morris of the Regulers, who have all had the Small Pox, that he has no Cargo on board Saving Forty three Barrells of Beef that himself two men & a Boy have not had the Small Pox that he & his men have been verry Careful least they Should take the distemper, that he has brought no goods Liable to Infection, Voted that he come to town with his Vessell.

[55.] D^r. W^m. Clark Inform'd the Selectmen that Sam^l. Mills a Drummer in the Royall American Regiment who came lately from New York is taken with the Small Pox at the House of John Mills in Cornhill— Voted that He be Imediatly removed to the Hospital at West Boston & that M^r. Cushing & M^r. Scollay see it Effected and that Applications be made to Cap^t. Cosman the Commanding officer concerning the Charges that may Insure.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 4^d. allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 30th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Henshaw Hill Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

A draft for Ink for the Schools.

The Town of Chelsea to be Charged with the Charge arising on Henry Vickers an Inhabitant of that town who had the Small Pox at the Hospital at Rainsfords Island.

Voted that an Application be preferd to the Gen^l. Court for a more Effectual Law to Prevent Fraud relating to Cord Wood & Charcoal.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 10th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. a Number of Persons who are returned from Captivity in Canada who are Inhabitants of some of the Southern Governments.

Cap^t. Martha [sic] M^rCarrol Master of the Sloop Ruth & Elizabeth reports to the Selectmen that He has been from Halifax four days that He arrived on Saturday Evening & was not Stopt at the Castle, that He left the Vessell in the Narrows (the Wind being against him) & Came up to Town, that He was not on board when the Vessell was Haild from the Castle, that He has now orderd his Vessell down to the Castle, that He has no Cargo on board, that He brought no Passengers that He took no goods from the Town [56.] Liable to any Infection, that he brought to Town a few Letters but took Care to Smoak them before He Left the Vessell.

Information was brought to the Selectmen by M^r. Hartly that the Sloop Falmouth James Stuart Master was arrivd at Rainsfords Island from Halifax & that Samuel Woodbury Apprentice to the Mate of the Vessell was Sick with the Small Pox that they have been a Fortnight from Port that the Person Sick was taken down Last Tuesday, that they have no Lading on board— Gave M^r. Hartly the following Orders—

M^r. Hartly

The Sloop Falmouth from Halifax Cap^t. Stuart Master being arrivd at Rainsfords Island with One Person Sick of the Small

Pox on board it is our Orders that you take the utmost Care of the Sick and any Person on board that is Liable to the distemper take on Shore to the Well House, Let no Person Come to or from the Island or Vessell without the Permission of the Selectmen, The Justice of the Peace Selectmen & Overseers having Vissited the respective Wards in the Town according to agreement the 10th. Instant Mett at the Selectmens Room at Five o'Clock. P M & report as follows —

John Phillips Esq^r. for N^o. 8 reports that Mary Packard Lives by D^r. Noyes came into Town from Hopkinton about Six Months ago

Nathan Nicholson his Wife & two Children from Chatham Lives in Col^o. Fitches Ally —

M^r. W^m. Phillips for N^o. 10 reports that Andrew Griffin Wife & Child from New York Came into Town about two Months ago Lives at M^r. Fultons in Seven Starr Lane

M^r. Isaac Walker for N^o. 6 reports that One Horn & Wife from Broad Bay Lives in Phillips Buildings near the Battery

One M^r. Bull from Concord about three weeks ago Lives in Davenport Buildings.

[57.] M^r. Royal Tyler for N^o. 1 reported that one Widow Edwards who came lately from Lyn Lives on the Hill Oposite to the North Burying place.

M^r. Thomas Flucker for N^o. 11 reports that there is a Number of Dutch People at Wheelers Point who came from Broad Bay.

M^r. Isaac Smith for N^o. 12 reports that John Lawrance & Family who Lives Oposite M^r. Allens at South End came from Renton about three Months ago Peter Hammond from Broad Bay Lives in Gibbins Court.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 22^d. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

Let to M^r. Richards a piece of Ground next to the Fortification on the West Side of the Street so much of the Land as is Sufficient to Let a Shop upon, He to pay two Shillings & Eight pence p Annum during the pleasure of the Selectmen — Adjourned till tomorrow at 4 o'Clock.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 23^d. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

Several depositions were taken relating to the Land upon Fort Hill the Originals of which are upon File.

Benj^r. Lurvey Master of the Schooner Selican being put on this Oath by the Selectmen declares that He Left Halifax last Sabbath Night that he brought as Passengers two Lieutenants four Sergeants two Drummer & one Servant belonging to Hopsons Regiment with Benj^r. Lampson of this Town with a young Lad — that he has no Cargo being in his Ballast that he this day arrivd in this Harbour was Haild by an Officer at the Castle that he answerd (as Loud as he Could) from Halifax (with a Speaking Trumpet) that they made Some reply he Supposed they askd who was Master that

he told them his name that they did not Say anything further to Him as He [58]. Heard upon which He came up to Town with His Vessel.

Cap^t. Benj^a. Clark Master of the Schooner Patience reports that He Saild from Halifax last Wednesday that his Vessell is in her Ballast & has no Cargo on board that He took off no goods from the Town that he brought with Him as Passengers a Gentleman & his Wife and an Officer bound to New York that He Stopt Last Night at the Castle — Voted that He be permitted to Come to Town with his Vessell.

Cap^t. Benj^a. Homer Master of the Sloop Good Intent reports that he Left Halifax Twelve days ago was this day Stopt at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox that his Vessell is in her Ballast that he brought with Him three passengers that they Left Him at Situate that he has no goods on board Liable to any Infection. — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 27th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Hewes.

James Scutt one of the Collectors of Taxes for the year 1756 produced receipts in full from the Province and Town Treasurers & desired a draft for the Premium Voted by the Town — Ordered that He accordingly have a draft.

Jonathan Payson also produced his receipts in full & Prayd for a draft which was accordingly orderd Him —

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. allowd for Charges.

John Melledey by Certificate under his hand Informs he has received Josiah Vaxon & his Wife into his House from Dorchester.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 1st. 1758. Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hill & Scollay.

Whereas M^r. Thomas Lee has taken into a House belonging to Him, Aquila Hains and Family from Chelsea without Informing the Selectmen. Voted that S^d. Lee to be Proseccuted for the Fine.

[59.] Benj^a. Chadwell Master of the Sloop Adventure New York reports that he left New York Twenty two days ago was this day Stopt at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox that his Cargo Consists of Sugar Flour Pork & Cotton Wool that the Cotton Wool is Prize Goods, that it was taken out of a Warehouse & was not in any House where any Infection would be Communicated that all his People are hearty & well & no Infected goods of any Kind on board — Voted that his Vessell Comes to Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 6th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes

Voted that the Annual Meeting be on Monday the 13th. of March Instant for the Choice of Town Officers & that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 8th. 1758

Present Mess^{rs}. Grant Hill Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

M^r. Williston Informd the Selectmen that M^r. Winburn Master of the South Watch was through Age Incapable of Serving any Longer in that Office & that he desired to be dismissed from it — Voted that John Ranstead be Master of S^d. Watch in the Room of M^r. Winburn.

M^r. Hartly Informd the Selectmen that Cap^t. Darricott in a Sloop from Virginia was arrivd at Rainsfords Island with two Persons on board with the Small P^{ox} on which we gave M^r. Hartly the following direction

M^r. Hartly

As Cap^t. Darricott in a Sloop from Virginia is Arrivd at Rainsfords Island & has on board two Persons that have the Small Pox the Selectmen of Boston order you to receive into the Hospital the Persons that have the Small Pox & take good Care of them, as to the Vessel as you have reported to us that she is now well & sufficiently Cleansed & may come up to Town without any hazzard to the Inhabitants you may Let her Leave the Island on being Satisfied for the Charge.

[60.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 15th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 22^d. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Oliver.

On the 18th. Instant George Clark Master of the Sloop Jolly Robin reports that he left New York the 9th. Instant that his Cargo consists of Flour, Bread Sugar & Iron & some Reels of Yarn that himself & one of his men have not had the Small Pox that he does not think there can be any hazzard from any of the goods he has on board that when he left New York there was then but few People that had the Small Pox — Voted that he be permitted to come to the Town with his Vessell.

Joseph Webber lately Landed at Rainsfords Island out of Cap^t. Darricott Sick with the Small Pox desire Liberty to Come up to Town being recoverd of his Sickness — Voted that he have Liberty to Come off the Island next Monday & M^r. Hartly had orders accordingly.

M^r. John Brown Master of the Engine at New Boston Applyd for Premium for being first at the Fire at New Boston — Voted that He have a draft for said Premium the next draft day.

Whereas Application has been made to his Excellency the Governor by the Engine Men of this Town to be excused from Military duty in Consequence of which his Excell^y. has thought Fit to Excuse One hundred men for the Service of the Engine & his Excellency has referrd it to the Selectmen to appoint the Same among the respective Engines [14.] The Selectmen having discouersd with the respective Masters & Considered of these Matter agreed to apportion the aforesaid Number among the Engines in the following Manner.

To the Engine of which Mr. Kneeland is Master — 14 Men
 To ditto of which — M^r. Bently — ditto — 14 Men
 To ditto of which — M^r. Sutton — ditto — 13 Men
 To the Engine of which M^r. Cunningham is Master — 11 Men
 To ditto — — of which M^r. Putnam — ditto — 10 Men
 To ditto — — of which M^r. Read — ditto — 11 Men
 To ditto — — of which M^r. Robinson — ditto — 8 Men
 To ditto — — of which M^r. Nat Brown — ditto — 9 Men
 To ditto — — of which M^r. J^o. Brown — ditto — 10 Men

100 Men

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 27th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Scollay Oliver & Austin

This day Cap^t. Tho^s. Metcalf of the Sloop Beaver reports that He left Halifax the 10th. Instant, that He was yesterday Stopped at the Castle on Acc^t. of the Small Pox that He has no Cargo on board that He brought with him four Passengers that nothing was brought on board his Vessell at Halifax Liable to be Infected — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell —

This day Cap^t. Barber of the Schooner Speedwell from New York reports that He left that Place last Friday Seven night was yesterday Stopped at the Castle on account of the Small Pox that He was there with his Vessell but one day that He put in there in his way from Maryland that his Cargo is Wheat that he took nothing on board at New York — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Voted that Cap^t. Benj^a. Russell be desired to attend the Selectmen next Wednesday to Enter into some Agreement with respect to repairing one of the Towns Warehouses on the dock.

This day Cap^t. Edward Doten of the Schooner Abigail reports that He left Halifax the 10th. Instant that this day S^enight He put into Cape Cod, on Wednesday last He put into Plymouth on Saturday Left Plymouth, about Eight o^cclock on Saturday Night came past the Castle the man in duty Haild him He answerd from Plymouth that He came to Anchor with his Vessell off the End of the Long Wharf that his Vessell in her Ballast brought two Passengers who left him at Plymouth.

[62.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 29th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Oliver & Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 p. bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

Sent to the Alms House on the 30th. Instant on the Province Acco^t. Gerrat Fitzgerald who is not an Inhabitant of any Town in this Province.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 5th, 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay and Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 7th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Scollay Austin Oliver.

Benj^r. Clark Master of the Schooner Patience reports that He left Halifax with his Vessell the 12th. of March that the first Inst^d. he arrivd in this Harbour that he Came by the Castle about Twelve o'Clock at Night that his Vessell was not haild from the Castle nor no Questions askd Him that he brought no Cargo in his Vessell that he brought but one Passenger a Lieut^t. Roche of the Regulars.

Cap^t. Andrew Tucker of the Ship Dolphin reports that He Left S^t. Ubes with his Vessell Eight weeks ago the Last Tuesday that two of his men were Sick with the Small Pox before he left that Place, that after He had been at Sea, Seven days one of them dyed the other dyed after He had been Nine days out of Port, that the two men lay forward in the Vessell & as soon as they deceased He took down the Cabbins which they Laid in with all the Bedding about them & threw them into the Sea, that as Soon as they died He took the utmost Care to Smoke & Cleanse the Vessell & that He has now thirteen men on board his Vessell that have not had the Small Pox that for five weeks past these men that are Still Liable to have the distemper have passed any where in the Vessell & have not as yet taken it, that He has on board for Cargo Salt, Forty one Boxes of Lemmons & four Casks of Wine that He has put the Lemmons on Shore [63.] on Rainsfords Island — Voted that the Lemmons be under the Care of M^r. Hartly untill further Orders & that Cap^t. Tucker be permitted to proceed with his Vessell to Marblehead.

His Excellency the Governer having upon application made to Him been pleased to Excuse One hundred men from Military duty for the Service of the Several Engines in the Town, directed the Selectmen to apportion them to the Several Engines, which the have accordingly done, & therefore acquainted the Masters of S^d. Engines of the Number assigned to each of them, Ordering them to return a List of the Names of the Persons that they shall agree upon to belong to their respective Engines, which having done, the Seletmen upon examining S^d. List approve of the men therein Named, who are as follows Viz^t.

Engine N^o. 1 — 14 Men.

Tho. Bently Master

John Baker

Francis Marshall

Timothy Brown

Eben^r. Brown

W^m. Edes

John Ballard

John Clough

John Brown

John Richardson

Tho^r. Marble

Alex^r. Scammell

Sam^l. Treat

Joshua Bently

Engine N^o. 2 — 9 Men

Nath^l. Brown Master
Gibbins Sharp
Sam^l. Brown
John Bovey
Tho^s. Atkins
Martin Gay
John Prince
W^m. Brown
Jethro Furber

Engine N^o. 3 — 8 Men

Elias Robinson Master
W^m. Burbeck
Nath^l. Woodward
John Robinson
James Barnerd
W^m. Page
Webb Pearson
Jon^s. Jenkins

Engine N^o. 4 — 10 Men

Joseph Putnam Master
Joseph Bradford
Giles Brewer
Tho^s. Urann
Isasiah Audbert
Benj^s. Loring
Benj^s. Procter
Rich^d. Stoper
Paul Baxter
John Perkins

Engine N^o. 5 — 11 Men

Tho^s. Reed Master
Sam^l. Hollowell
Brack Read
Joseph Baxter
Tho^s. Palfry
John Holland
Tho^s. Salter
John Peck
Dinely Wing
Tho^s. Read Jun^r.
James Read Jun^r.

Engine N^o. 6 — 10 Men

John Brown Master
Peter Cumber
Jabez Serl
John Popkins
Nicholas Tabb

Josiah Gains
 Robert Bonyngc
 James Ridgway Jun^r.
 W^m. Homer
 Michael Homer

Engine N^o. 7 — 18 Men

W^m. Sutton Master
 Zeph^h. Bassett
 Peter Roberts
 W^m. Frost
 Gawen Brown
 Isaac Tuckerman
 Adino Paddock
 W^m. Flag

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Jonathan Rogers
 John Bulfinch
 James Cocks
 Barth^o. Sutton
 John Laughton

Engine N^o. 8 — 11 Men

James Cunningham Master
 David Wheeler
 Jerim^h. Stimpson
 Eph^h. Greene
 Benj^t. Wheeler
 Henry Evans
 Obadiah Curtiss
 Moses Bastow
 John Bennet
 Sam^l. Wheeler
 Joseph Eliot

Engine N^o. 9 — 14 Men

Solomon Kneeland Master
 Stephen Greenleaf
 Jon^s. Stimpson
 Samuel Franklyn
 John Mellage
 Eben^r. Topliff
 Joseph Wheeler
 Samuel Harris
 John Fenno
 Tho^s. Greenleaf
 Thos^s. Wheeler
 Stephen Wales
 Rich^d. Honeywell
 John Halding

the Governor by his Order He under wrote their Return as follows
Viz^t.

Province of the Massachusetts Bay	} By his Excellency Thomas Pownall Esq ^r . Cap ^t . General Governor & Commander in Chief in & over S ^d . Province
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Whereas the Persons named in the afore written List are Ap-
pointed by the Selectmen of the Town of Boston to take Care of,
Manage & Work the Several Water Engines in Said Town at any
time that Fire may Break out there, and it being reported to me
that all Such Persons have always been excused from all Military
duty as well as from Serving in any Office, & application having
been made to me on their behalf, I have Considered of the Necess-
ity & usefulness of Such men at all fires, and do therefore hereby
Excuse all Said Men whose Names are in the aforewritten List
during Such time only as they shall belong to S^d. Engines from all
Military duty required by the Laws of this Province, Excepting
that they be at all times Equipped [65.] and Furnished with
Arms Ammunition & according to Law & that they also appear
according to Law whenever an Alarm shall be made—This to
Continue in force untill I shall otherwise Order — T. POWNALL

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Apr. 12th. 1758.
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

On the 11th. Instant George Gooding Master of the Sloop Pro-
perous reports that he Sailed from Halifax Saturday last that the
last night He was Stopped at the Castle on Account of the Small
Pox, that He brought no Cargo & but one Passenger, Cap^t. Pro-
cter with dispatches from the Government — Voted that He come
to Town with his Vessell.

Edward Colliter Master of the Schooner Young Eagle reports
that he Sailed from Halifax Nine days past that yesterday he was
Stopped at the Castle on account of the Small Pox, that He brought
nothing in his Vessell but Ballast that He brought with him a
Woman Passenger named Ether Evans who was Carried down to
Halifax by Cap^t. Metcalfe that she had been on board of a Man
of War, that he brought with him five men who went down there
in the Hertford Privateer — Voted that He come to Town with his
Vessell.

On the 10th. Instant Robert M^cCown Master of the Sloop En-
deavour reports that he has been from Halifax Sixteen days, that
he was brought to at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox that
He brought up no Cargo that he brought with him two men as
Passengers, who are Traders — Voted that he come to Town with
his Vessell.

On the 18th. Instant Sent to the Alms House on the Province
Account by two of the Selectmen & one Overseer the following
Women & Children, who were left at the Castle by Col^o. Lawrances
Battallion of Royal Americans to which they belong Viz^t. Hannah
Perry & two Children Mariah Thomson & one Child, Mary Walk-
er, Mary Dry [66.] and one Child Rebeckah Cave & Nicholas
Passman.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 19th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay & Austin.

This day Sent to the Alms House on the Province Account by two Selectmen & One Overseer, the following Women & Children who were left in the Town by Col^o. Lawrences Battallion of Royal Americans to which they belonged Viz^t. Agnes Holles & two Children, Mary Cole and one Child Mary Asher & two Children, Elizabeth Modd & one Child, & Dorothy Peers — Sent Joseph Mooney a Stranger to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t.

Jonathan Chandler Master of the Sloop Rachel Reports that He left Halifax the 14th. Instant that he has no Cargo on Board brought up no Passengers but two Sailors that he was Stopt Last night at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessel

On the 15th. Instant Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. by two Selectmen & one Overseer, Jannet Ware an Infant Child belonging to Daman Ware a Soldier in Col^o. Frasers Regiment of Highlanders, whose Wife being dead & no Person to take Care of the Child & not being able to maintain it himself Left it in the Town.

M^r. Abiah Holbrook desired Liberty to frame a Small Building on the Common near his House — Voted that he have liberty taking Care to Clear away the Chips that may be made as soon as the Frame is finished.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 24th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/6 P bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

The Selectmen having on the 7th. Instant Appointed Master to the Several Fire Engines in Town, the Companys [67.] to them respectively belonging, do now agree that Orders of the following Tenor be given to them for their Government and Regulation (here Enter the Orders) — which Orders shall be of the following dates —

Thomas Reed & Company	April 10 th .
Nath ^l . Brown & C ^o .	11
Thomas Bently & C ^o .	12
Solomon Kneeland & C ^o .	13
John Brown & C ^o .	14
William Sutton & C ^o .	15
Joseph Putnam & C ^o .	17
James Cunningham & C ^o .	18
Elias Robinson & C ^o .	19

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 26th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing Hewes & Scollay.

M^r. Ephraim Copeland waited on the Selectmen & Informd them that he had for some time Hierd of M^r. John Welsh the Shop which he Occupies belonging to the Town and as M^r. Welch is about giving it up, he desires he may have it of the Town.

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. Jennet Fraser

an Infant Child left by a soldier belonging to Col^o. Frasers Regim^l., at the House of John Adams Joiner.

Complaint being made by the Firewards to the Selectmen that the Engine of which John Brown is Master, was in Such Poor order at the late Fire by Cap^l. Childs, that it was not Capable of being Improved, M^r. Williston is Orderd to desire M^r. Brown to meet the Selectmen at their Room this day Sevenight.

M^r. Solomon Kneeland Master of the Engine No. 9 at the South End Applyd for the Premium as his Engine was the first at the Fire that lately Broke out near to Deacon Hills Distill House— Voted that he have a draft for the Same the Next draft day.

[68.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 3^d. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Scollay & Austin.

On the 1st. Instant Nicholas French Master of the Schooner John, Reports that He left Halifax this day Week that he arrivd of the Castle on Saturday last & was there Stopd on acco^t. of the Small Pox, that he has on board Eleven Tuns of Logwood that he took no other goods of any Kind on board that he brought with him ten passengers belonging to this Town, that they brought nothing with them but the Cloathing on their backs— Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

On the 2^d. Inst^t Benj^l. Clark Master of the Schooner Patience reports that he left Halifax last Fryday that He has no Cargo on board & brought no Passengers with him that this day he Arrivd off the Castle & was there Stopd on Acco^t. of the Small Pox — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

On the 29th of April Sam^l. Crocker Master of the Sloop Industry reports that he left New York the 17th of April that he took no Cargo on board his Vessell & has no goods of any Kind liable to any Infection that he was this day Stopd at Castle William on Acco^t. of the Small Pox.—Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Gawen Brown Informs the Selectmen that he has taken into his Service John Cross Smith, a young man a Watch Maker who came a Passenger with Cap^l. Partridge from London.

Nath^l. Winslow Master of the Sloop Phenix reports that he left Halifax the 28th. Ult^o. that he has no Cargo on board nor any thing liable to Infection, are all well on board brought no Passengers, arrivd of the Castle last Evening and was there Stopd on Account of the Small Pox — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

[69.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 10th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

John Preston Applyd to the Selectmen for Liberty to Fence in the East part of the Fortification to Keep his Cow in — Voted that he have Liberty He Keeping the Fence in repair.

Whereas Strangers are often coming into this Town, & Stay here some time before they are discovered & it being difficult to determine whether they have ever been Legally Warned out of the

Town — It is therefore Voted that Mr. Goldthwait be desired to prepare an Alphabetical List of all the Persons that have been warned for Ten years Last past.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 15th. 1758 — Present Henshaw Jackson Cushing Austin.

Edw^d. Calto Master of the Schooner Young Eagle reports that He left Halifax yesterday Senight was Stopt yesterday at the Castle on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax that he has no Cargo on board nor any goods of any kind liable to Infection, that he brought with him two Passengers. Timothy Clark & George Dyke belonging to Casco Bay — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessel.

M^r. John Downe desired Liberty to Open a Drain before his Shop — Voted that he have Liberty, he taking Care to have the pavement over Said Drain repaired.

[70.] Boston ss. At a meeting of the Selectmen May 17th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes, Scollay.

Docter Thomas Austin applyd for Liberty to Open a Drain in Milk Street — Voted that he have leave.

John Ranstead hierd the Herbage of the South Burying grounds for One year at three pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence p Annum.

W^m. Gowen Master of the Schooner Merrimack Reports that he left Halifax on Monday last, that he has nothing on board but Ballast, that he has one Passenger M^r. Steward a Gentleman belonging to Halifax who is come on Business that there is nothing in his Vessel liable to any Infection, that he was Stopt Last Night at the Castle on acco^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessel.

Benj^t. Lurvy Master of the Schooner three Sisters reports that he left Halifax last Monday Senight that he is in his Ballast that he has no goods on board that he has brought up one Passenger Edw^d. Fudge of this Town, that his People are all well that He was last Night Stopt at the Castle on acc^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessel.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 24th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes & Austin.

Cap^t. Thomas Dingly Master of the Sloop Swan reports that he came from Halifax the 20th. Instant that he has not any thing on board but Ballast that he brought four Passengers Nath^l. Barrel of Boston [71.] Joseph Owen M^r. Newcomb & M^r. Fessenden of Brantry that he has nothing on board liable to Infection, that He was stopt this Morning at the Castle on Susspician of having the Small Pox on board — Voted that He have liberty to Come to Town with his Vessel.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 24th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Jackson Scollay Austin.

Voted that M^r. Williston warns a free Negro that now Lives

with John Ballard to attend the Selectmen the next Monday —

Voted that Enquiry be made by M^r. Cushing & M^r. Austin concerning a Negroe man which the late M^r. Leah Otis has freed, also a Negroe man belonging to William Wheeler deceased.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 25th. 1758 Present Henshaw Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Dudly Jones Master of the Schooner Fair Lady Reports that he left Halifax last Saturday on a Voyage to Philadel^a. for a Load of Provisions for the use of Adm^l. Boscawens Fleet, on Monday last his Vessell began to Leak so much that he was Obligated to put away for this Port & was Last Night Stopt at the Castle on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in Halifax that he has nothing in his Vessell but Ballast, & Intends to Stay here no longer then to Stop the Leak in his Vessel & then proceed on his Voyage — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 29th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat 4/6 p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charges.

Cap^t. Stephen Hall applyd for Liberty to Open a Drain in Middle Street near the Mill Bridge, Voted that he have Leave.

[72.] Voted that M^r. Adams warn out Phobe a Negro Woman lately belonging to Major Jenner in Charlestown now Married to a Free Negro man by the name of Jack Hasey who works with John Ballard Wharfinger.

Agreed with Mess^{rs}. Green & Russell for the Printing of the By Laws of the Town, they are by agreement to Print three Hundred for Six pounds Lawfull Money they are to Sell the Same to the Inhabitants of the Town at the rate of Eight pence p Peice & are to Keep an exact Acco^t. of of the Sale & as soon as the Same is Completed they are to Settle with & pay the Town Treasurer.

M^r. James Cunningham Master of Engine N^o. 8 Applyd for a Premium for being the first Engine at the Fire that Broke out the 10th. Inst^t. at M^r. Coffins Distill House near Essex Street — Voted that he have a draft for the Same.

James McDaniel is Appointed a Watchman at the South Watch House in the room of Ebenezer Winburne.

Edmund Herryman Master of the Schooner Susannah reports that he left Halifax last Sabbath day that he has no Cargo on board that he brought with him as Passengers Michael Burke Cornelius Duggin a M^r. Dorathy all of this Town that they brought up in the Vessell a Number of Sheep Skins that he arrivd this day & was Stopt at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox — Voted that the Sheep Skins be Sent down to Hospital Island & there delivered to M^r. Hartly to be Aird and that the Vessell be permitted to Come up to Town.

The Schooner Dolphin Rob^t. Wyer Master bound from New York to New foundland put into this Harbour the last Night was Stopt at the Castle on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in New

York, the Master being Sick M^r. Nath^l. Bethune Owner of S^d. Schooner waited on the Selectmen & Informed them that he proposed she should come up to Town & perhaps may here unload that her Cargo consists [73.] of Bread & Flour that there is nothing on board Liable to any Infection—Voted that the Vessell Come up to Town.

Voted that his Excellency be desired to take off the restraint that is now upon Vessells from passing the Castle that may Arrive from New York, as we are Informed that that the City is now Clear of the Small Pox.

Cap^t. Trefry Master of the Schooner Sea Flower Reports, that that he left Halifax the last Sabbath day, that this Morning he arrived in this Harbour & was Stopped at the Castle on Acc^t. of the Small Pox that he has no Cargo on board, nor any goods Liable to Infection, that he has brought up Seven Passengers, Viz^t. Robert Murdock a Docter in the Army for his health; Tho^s. Knowlton of Ipswich, Edw^d. Barry Cleard from a man of War; M^r. Whitten belongs to Halifax Came up to see her Friends, Timothy Rendall belongs up Country M^r. Christy Brown going to Albany to Her Husband, Eliz^a. Girott of Halifax, that the above Passengers brought with them no goods Liable to Infection—Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 7th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson, Hewes, Scollay, Austin, Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 14th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Hewes, Cushing, Scollay & Austin.

Whereas the By Laws of the Town have been lately revised & reprinted, that the Same may be duly put in execution—Voted that M^r. Abijah Adams & M^r. Tho^s. Williston, be and hereby are appointed to take Notice of any Person or Persons who are guilty of the Breach of any of the Aforenamed Laws, & to prosecute to Effect the Offenders.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 21st. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay, Austin & Oliver.

[74.] Roger McKnight Applyd for Liberty to Open a Drain (on Acco^t. of M^r. Henry Gibbs) from the House of the late Treasurer Wadsworth, near Black Horse Lane Liberty is granted, provided he makes the Street good & Sufficient again.

Eben^r. Cocks Master of the Sloop Falmouth reports that He left Halifax the 10th. Instant, that he arrivd off the Castle last Evening was Stopped there on Acco^t. of the Small Pox, being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on board nor any goods liable to Infection, that he brought up as Passengers Sam^l. Gray & David Powers both of this Town—Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Voted that the Vissitation of the Schools be on Wednesday the

28th. Instant & that the following Gentlemen be Invited to Accompany the Selectmen at Eight o'Clock A.M. Viz^l.

His Excellency the Governor.

His Honour the Lieu^t. Governor.

Col^o. Wendall

Brig^t. Waldo

Cap^t. Erving

Judge Sewall

Docter Pynchon

Sectary Oliver

Sam^l. Wells Esq^r.

Paul Mascarene Esq^r.

The Representatives

The Overseers of the Poor

Docter Sewall

Docter Chauncy

M^r. Cooper

M. Eliot

M^r. Mather

M^r. Pemberton

M^r. Hancock

W^m. Dummer Esq^r.

Edw^d. Hutchinson Esq^r.

Charles Apthorp Esq^r.

Francis Borland Esq^r.

Jo^s. Winslow Esq^r.

Jo^s. Green Esq^r.

M. Sam^l. Adams

M^r. Oxen^s. Thacher

M^r. Dana

Treasurer Gray

Treasurer Jeffries

Sheriff Greanleaf

W^m. Story Esq^r.

Sam^l. Grant Esq^r.

M^r. Thos^s. Hill

Solomon Barnes Master of the Schooner Desire reports, that he left Halifax this day Senight, that he arrived off the Castle this Morning, & was there Stopped on Acco^t. of Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on Board nor any goods Liable to Infection, that he brought up as Passengers, Benjamin Lawson & Sam^l. Greenough & Rich^d. Draper all of this Town — Voted that he Come to Town with his Vessel.

[75.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 24th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing.

Cap^t Jenkins reports that the Schooner Industry Benj^t. Woodward Master Came out from Halifax fourteen days past, that he has nothing on board Liable to Infection, that he brought five passengers, all of whom have had the Small Pox, that the Vessel was Stopped at the Castle on Suspicion of having the Small Pox on Board.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25th. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay.

Benj^r Homer of the Sloop Phenix reports, that he left Halifax last Friday Senight, that he arrivd off the Castle this Morning, & was there Stopt on Acc^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on board nor any goods liable to any Infection, that he has brought up as Passengers the following Persons — Eben^r. Pillsberry John Doble, Solomon Phips, Widow Sarah Tuckerman all of this Town & John Pearson of Newbury — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 26th. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/4 p bush^l. 4^d All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 3^d. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Nath^l. Clift Master of the Schooner Success reports, that He left Halifax last Saturday Senight, that yesterday he arrived off the Castle & was there Stopt on Acc^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has on board Ten Tons of Iron, three Casks of Nails, one Trunk & three Boxes of Prize Goods that the goods were not on Shore at Halifax in any Store but taken off the Wharf on board the Vessell that He [76.] Brought as Passenger Cap^t. Domet of this Town, M^r. Trescot of Milton & M^r. Arnold of Newbury, that He has no goods on board by which any Infection may be Communicated — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Mathew McClane Master of the Sloop Swallow, reports that he left Halifax last Saturday Senight, that He Arrivd off the Castle yesterday, was there Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on Board nor any thing Liable to Infection, that he brought up as Passengers John M^c-Cluer, John Ledly and James Cockran all of this Town.

Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Tho^s. Dingly Master of the Sloop Swan, reports that He Halifax Eleven days past, that on Saturday Night he arrivd off the Castle, was there Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on board nor anything Liable to Infection, that he brought up one Passenger Joseph Webb of this Town — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 11th. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing, Hewes, Scollay, Austin.

Cap^t. Benj^r. Hollowell Commander of the Province Ship King George, reports, that in the Prize Ship Freepon which he this day Sent into this Harbour, are a Number of French Soldiers, who are Sickly, and desires that they may be put on Shore at Ransfords Island into the Hospital for their Recovery — Voted that he have liberty to put them on Shore into the Hospital, He paying

the Charge of Supporting them while there, and that M^r. Hartly be directed to receive them Accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 12th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay & Austin.

[77.] John Lord with his Wife Hannah came into this Town yesterday being the 11th. Instant from Albany, by Land, he is a Sadler by Trade, He belongd to Carlile from whence he was drove by the Indians in June 1757, He went from thence to Baltimore in Maryland where he was pressed into the Service the 10th. of January last & Sent to Albany & there was discharg by Col^o. Gage from whence he came to this Town.

Widdow Bailey with two or three Children from Newbury hires a House of Cap^t. Sigourney in School Street North End has been here two or three days, Warned out.

Whereas Master Hicks has represented that the Floor of the North School is out of Repair Voted that M^r. Scollay & M^r. Austin be a Committee to View the Same & see that it be repaired.

Whereas the Gate of the Burryung place by the Kings Chappel is out of repair — Voted that M^r. Oliver & M^r. Cushing be a Committee to get the Same repaired.

Sutton Byles applyd to the Selectmen for Liberty to Let part of the Land which he Leeces of the Town on the Neck, to the man who Improves the Wind Mill on the Neck — Voted that he have Liberty.

Application being made by the Masters of the Engines for Bucketts — Voted that M^r. Cushing Inquire the Lowest price that Leather Bucketts can be made for and report.

Timothy Tuttle Master of the Sloop Charming Ann says that he has brought with him from New Haven where he belongs, three Women Named Mary Champny Jane Silsby & Mary Appleton. Mary Chanmy says She & her Child is going to Ipswich Immediately all her relatives being there, Mary Appleton is all ready gone to Dedham to her relations Jane Silsby desires to tarry here as she expects her Husband Soon from Carolina, she now Lodges at M^r. McNeals near the Mill Bridge — says she is going to Service to M^r. Pelhams.

Cap^t. Tuttle arrivd Friday Last.

[78.] Acco^t. of Beds Carried to Sundry Places in the Town for the use of the Kings Troops now in the Town.

To Cap ^t . Savages House and	- - - -	50
To a House in plessant Street	- - - -	75
To D ^r . Gardner House	- - - -	75
To M ^r . Powells d ^o .	- - - -	21
To M ^r . Forbes d ^o .	- - - -	20
To M ^r . Cooksons d ^o .	- - - -	15
To Cap ^t . Breeds d ^o .	- - - -	30
To Cap ^t . Springs d ^o .	- - - -	35
To Cap ^t . Kings d ^o .	- - - -	30
To Elder Haley d ^o .	- - - -	25
To John Walker d ^o .	- - - -	20
To M ^r . Langdons d ^o .	- - - -	25

To Mr. Whites d°.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	50
To Mr. Proctors d°.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	25
To Mr. Sigourneys d°.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20
To Prouts, Lyndalls Bromfields & Dafforne	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	133
To Mr. Welsh House	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
To Mr. M ^c Williams d°.	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15
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Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 24th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

Edmund Crawly Master of the Schooner Anna Maria reports that He left Halifax this day Senight, that He Arrivd yesterday off the Castle, was there Stopt on Acco^d. of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he brought with him no Cargo, that he brought three Passengers who are to return again with Him — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Solomon Bangs Master of the Schooner desire reports that he left Halifax last Thursday that he arrivd this day off Castle William, was there Stopt on Account of the [79.] Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has nothing on board but Ballast has nothing Liable to Infection that he has with him two Passengers Viz^t. Joseph Callender & James Wilkie — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Tho^s. White Master of the Sloop Unity reports that he left Halifax the 16th. Instant & arrivd last Night off the Castle was there Stopt on Account of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he brought with him nothing liable to any Infection & no Passengers, that they are all well on Board — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Mr. White applyd for Liberty to Open a drain at his House near Mr. Mathers Meeting House — Voted that he have Liberty, he repairing the Pavement.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Cap^t. Vernon applyd for Liberty to build a Tomb in the North Burying place — Voted that Mess^{rs}. Austin & Scollay be a Committee to direct him concerning the above.

Mr. Alexander Hunt appeard & proposd to purchase a peice of Land, adjoining to his Land near Fort Hill which the Selectmen at the last Town Meeting were Impowerd to Sell, & after some discourse concerning it, It was agreed that he shall have a Deed of Said Land paying Sixty Six pounds thirteen Shillings & four Pence, as the Consideration purchase of the Same, to which Said Hunt agreed.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 31st. 1758

Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/4 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

[80.] Voted that Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing & Scollay be a Committee to enquire which of the Stalls in the Market is Leased out & which not & report next Wednesday.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 1st. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Edward Calito Master of the Schooner Young Eagle reports that he left Halifax the 24th. Ult^o., that he arrivd last Night off Castle William, was there Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in Halifax, that he has with him no Cargo nor anything liable to Infection, that he brought with him as Passenger Viz^t. M^r. John Codman — Voted that he come to Town with his Vessel.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 2^d. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

John Jeffries Esq. desires Liberty to break up the Pavem^t. in Tremont Street in order to repair his Drain — Voted that Liberty be Accordingly granted he repairing the Pavement to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen.

M^r. John Grant Chosen one of the Collecters for the present year appeard & proposed for his Sureties, Sam^l. Grant Esq^r. & Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon — Accepted.

M^r. Jonathan Payson one of the Collecters of Taxes for the present year appeard & proposed for his Sureties Lieut^t. Jon^s. Cary of Boston & John Greateon of Roxbury — Accepted.

John Ruddock Chosen one of the Collecters of Taxes for the present year, Appear & proposed for his Sureties Cap^t. Nath^l. Greenwood & M^r. Caleb Parker — Accepted.

about a Fortnight past the Prize Ship Freepone brought into this Port by Cap^t. Hollowell, was by the Selectmen [81.] orderd below the Castle in Order to be Aird for Fear of Infection (there having been Several men who came in Her taken down with a dangerous Sickness) & Captain Hollowell having Informed the Selectmen that Said Ship is now as he thinks Sufficiently Aird, therefore the Selectmen wrote the following Order to Mr. Hartly.

Boston Aug^t. 2^d. 1758.

M^r. Hartly,

It is our Orders that you go on board of Cap^t. Hollowells Prize which now Lyes below the Castle & see that she is Sufficiently Smoaked & Cleansed & Certify the Same to us that if so she may be permitted to come up to Town.

Voted that M^r. Treasurer Jeffries be desired as soon as any of the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market become Vacant to Leese out the Same to any Suitable Person that offers to hier them at the Customary Rate —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 7th. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin.

W^m. Nichols Master of the Sloop three Friends reports that he left Halifax the 27th. Ult^o. that he arrivd off the Castle Saturday Night last, was there Stopt on Account of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo of any kind on board, that he brought no Pasengers with Him—Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 9th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson & Scollay.

W^m. Trefry Master of the Schooner Sea Flower reports that he left Halifax the 29th. July that he arrivd off the Castle last Night was there Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox that he has no Cargo on board nor anything Liable to any Infection that [82.] He brought with him as Passengers a Number of Persons—Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 9th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

In Consequence of the Vote of the 26th. Ult^o. Mess^{rs}. Scollay & Austin Conversed with Cap^t. Vernon concerning a Tomb which he wanted to build in the North Burying Place & agreed that he might build it next to Captain John Larabys Tomb at the North Side of the burying place provided that he noways disturbs the Corpses that Lye Interrd near to it.

M^r. Benj^a. Austin reports that he has taken into his House as a Nurse Mary Appleton, who Came in Cap^t. Tuttle from New Haven.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing & Oliver be a Committee to Enquire into the State of the Cellers under the Town House & Let those of them that are unimproved

Cap^t. W^m. Clift Master of the Sloop Desire from Albany Reports that he left that Place this day Fortnight, that he was last Night Stopt of the Castle on Account of the Small Pox being there, that he has no Cargo on board nor any thing Liable to Infection, that he has as a Passenger one of the Provincial Soldiers on Furlow—Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug 16th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Oliver Thomas Dingly Master of the Sloop Swan, reports, that he left Halifax the 10th Inst^o. that he arrivd into this Harbour the last Night, that he past by the Castle between eight & nine o'clock that the Wind blew exceeding hard at N E when he past the Castle, & that he was not halld by them, as he Knew [83.] that the Small Pox was mostly out of Halifax he did Suppose that no Vessells from thence were Stopt at the Castle, that he brought up no Cargo nor any thing of any Kind Liable to Infection, that he brought up but one Passenger M^r. Benj^a. Green Jun^r. belonging to Halifax—Voted that Enquiry be made concerning the above of the officer at Castle William.

Isaac Dupee Carver desires that he may have the Towns Shop that M^r. John Welch Occupied on the Dock.

Whereas the Selectmen in the return made to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Suffolk on the List of Persons Licensed in this Town as Inholders & Retailers, disapproved of Mary Clapham a Retailer, who in the year past upon good Information given them, had been guilty of Misrule &c and so returned her to Said Court, upon which return, Said Court did not allow her to return her License.

Whereupon Said Mary presented her Petition to S^d. Court, Setting forth that the Information given to the Selectmen relating to her being guilty of Misrule &c was without the Least Foundation, & that the Same was raised & promoted with a Malicious Intent to ruin her, & bring her, & her Family to extrem^e Poverty Praying she may be heard before Said Court, which Petition S^d. Court Sustained & wrote the Selectmen as follows Viz^t.

Suffolk ss. To Joshua Henshaw & Joseph Jackson Esq^r. Tho^s. Cushing Sam^l. Hewes John Scollay Benj^a. Austin Gentle^a. & Andrew Oliver Jun^r. Esq^r. Selectmen of the town of Boston. Gentlemen

In the Return made by you of the List of [84.] Persons Licens^d. in the Town of Boston the last year, as Inholders & Retailers you have returned Mary Clapham as Guilty of Misrule, but have not assignd any reason therefore, the S^d. Mary by her Petition to the Court of General Sessions of the Peace for the County of Suffolk this day preferrd, has Suggested that she has not been guilty of any Misrule or disorders in Her House, & that the Information given to you is Intircly groundless, & that you have no Evidence to Support Such a Charge, praying she may be heard thereupon or that she may be allowd to renew her License — you therefore are desired to attend S^d. Court on Thursday the Seventeenth Instant, at Ten O'Clock in the forenoon when S^d. Court will take S^d. Marys Petitions into Consideration, & you may then produce Such Evidence as you may think Necessary to be heard thereupon if you See Cause otherwise the Court the Court will proceed as they shall judge proper. Dated in Boston the 15th. day of August in the 32^d. year of His Majesty Reign Annoq^o. Domⁱ. 1758 — By Orders of Court.

Ezek^l. Goldthwait Clerk.

Upon receipt of the above from the Court the Selectmen met & Considerd of the Several Laws of the Province that related to Licenses, & of their power to disallow any Persons heretofore Licens^d that shall appear to them to have been guilty of misrule & disorder, & thereupon apprehend that the Court of Sessions cannot by any Law Permit any Persons to renew their License, that are returned by S^d. Selectmen to S^d. Court as guilty of Misrule & disorder, therefore determine they will not Attend Said Court but send their Answer in Writing which they did as follows. — Viz^t.

[85.] To the Hon^{ble}. the Justices of the Court of Sessions for the County of Suffolk.

The Memorial of the Selectmen of the Town of Boston Sheweth — that your Memorialists were Served with the foregoing Order, to Vindicate ourselves & our Exceptions against M^r. Clapham for Misrule, & to bring Evidence to Encounter the Allegations that your Honours have permitted Her to make in Court against us, for what we have done in discharge of our Office as Selectmen, on Peril of her allegations being taken for True, and her being Licensed by your Honours, notwithstanding our aforesaid Exceptions & the Province Law Page 184 where it is expressly Enacted that the Clerk of the Sessions of the place in the respective Countys from time to time Annually before the granting License do Transmit to the Selectmen of every Town within the County, as a List of the names of the Persons in Such Towns, that were Licensed the year before, & that licenses be renewd to none of them that the Selectmen shall Except to, as unfit to hold and hold that Employment, by reason of their not Keeping good Order & good Rules in their Houses &c We apprehend the Law not only Authorizes us, but makes it our duty to Enquire & Judge of the fitness of Licensed Persons, & to Except to those that in our Judgement are exceptionable, & we know of none that (Since the making of the aforesaid Act) have any Power to decide the Question, as to the fitness or unfitness of Persons to have their Licenses renewd but the Selectmen But we do not apprehend that we are warranted by Law to Point out any particuler Instances of Misconduct or Witnesses to Impeach the Candidate in any particulers—We have no Suit Petition or Cause depending before your Honours & Cannot Comprehend by what Law, [86.] We or our Judgement is to be Calld in Question before your Honours — We pay all due deference to your to your Honours & that Authority the Law has Vested this Court with, but your Honours will permit us to pay the greatest deference to the Laws and Constitution of our Country, & the discharge of the Trust reposed in us by those Laws — We have never heard of a Precedent to make Selectmen Accountable for their Judgments in their office as Respondents to the Person excepted against, nor have we yet been able to find a Law that is now in force to Countenance Such a procedure: That of the 4th. of William & Mary Chap^r. the 6th. we apprehend is repeated so far as Concerns the present Question, by the impart recited Act, & had it not been repeated, it did not extend to Such Cases, as where an Exception was made, & even in that the Citation gave a Months Notice for the Selectmen to Object, not Answer and prove at a Short warning as in the present Case — We therefore beg Leave to remonstrate against the Establishment of Such a Precedent as seems now Attempted, & against the Licensing of M^r. Clapham against our Exception, & the Law before recited and as we are Satisfied our Exception was well founded, & that and that we can Easily prove the Same, but that it would be of dangerous Consequence, & destructive to that good Order, that Law Intended to preserve, to go into an Altercation with Her before your Honours or Elsewhere.

We hope your Honours will Excuse us from making any answer

to this Petition, & of all others of the like Kind for the Future,
We are with great respect to your Honours—Your Humble Serv^{ts}.

Selectmen	{	JOSHUA HENSHAW
		JOSEPH JACKSON
		THO ^s . CUSHING
		SAM ^l . HEWES
		JOHN SCOLLAY
		BENJ ^s . AUSTIN
		AND ^s . OLIVER JUN ^r .

[87.] Upon Inquiry made by the Selectmen, the Clerk of the Court of Sessions Informd them that their Answer afores^d. was read in S^d. Court, & that the S^d. Mary Clapham by Council was fully heard thereupon, & after a Long debate in Court, a Question was put, whether the Court, upon the answer made by the Selectmen as a foressaid would allow the Said Mary Clapham to renew Her License, and that It passed in the Negative by a verry great majority, & thereupon Her Petition was dismissed.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 23^d. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Scollay Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 26th. 1758
Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson & Scollay.

Nathan Nicholson Master of the Schooner Tryal reports that he left Halifax the 17th Instant, that he arrived off the Castle the last Night, was there Stopt on Acco^t of the Small Pox being at Halifax, that he has no Cargo on board nor any thing Liable to Infection, that he brought with him Six Passengers, three of which are Soldiers discharged from the Regiment & one of their Wives, one man a Trader belonging to Cambridge, & one Rogers a Lad who is come up to his Friends in this Town, that they are all in health & hearty—Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 28th. 1758.
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Assize of Bread Set at Wheat at 4/4 p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen August 30th. 1758.
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Hewes, Scollay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 2^d. 1758. —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

James Hatch Master of the Schooner Charming Molly Reports, that He left Halifax this day week that Last Night He arrivd off the Castle & was there Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in Halifax, that he has on board for Cargo Mackrel in Barrells, & part of the Cargo he Carried from hence, which has not been out of the Vessel that he has no Passengers nor anything on board that is Liable to Infection, that all his People are Well—Voted that he come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 4th. 1758.— Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

This day deliverd the Keys of the Town House Celler to M^r. John Hammock, the Rent Commences this day.

Information being given to the Selectmen that the Officers belonging to His Majestys Ship Hunter under the Command of Captain Adams, now lying in the Harbour of Nantasket, have Impressed the Skippers of two Fishing Boats, belonging to this Town, and also one man out of a Connecticut Coaster & another out of a Piscataqua Coaster, all of whome Cap^t. Adams refuses to release.

Voted that the following Memorial and Representation thereof be Presented to his Excellency Governor Pownell Viz^t.

[89.] To his Excellency Thomas Pownall Esq^r. Governor & Commander in Chief in & over the Province of the Massachusetts Bay in New England.

The Memorial & Representation of the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Boston.

Humbly Sheweth

That Such Persons as belong to the Fishing Boats, that Supply the Town of Boston with Fresh Fish, and such as belong to the Coasting Vessells that Supply S^d. Town with grain Wood and other Necessarys of Life, have all ways been protected from being Impressed on board any of his Majestys Ships of War that have at any time been here & when Such Persons have been Impressed the Captains of the Ships of War, have upon Application made, released them, as soon as they have had Notice thereof, but your Memorialists would now represent to your Excell^y that they have been Informd that on Saturday last, one M^r. Blake who has been Skipper of a Fishing Boat three years past, & Constantly Employd himself that time in Supplying the Inhabitants of this Town with Fresh Fish, was Impressed, taken out of his Boat & Carried on board his Majestys Ship Hunter Commanded by — Adams Esq^r. lying in Nantasket Harbour, that application has been made to Cap^t. Adams for his release, but He refuses to discharge him, & Intends as your Memorialists apprehend to Carry him away that Cap^t. Adams has also Impres d one man out of a Conecticut Coaster, & another out of a Piscataqua Coaster, & this day has taken a Shipper out of another Fishing Boat belonging to this Town, all of which Cap^t. Adams detains on Board — Now So it is may it please your Excellency, that if Cap^t. Adams will not release the Persons Impressed as a foresaid and will Continue to Impress Persons under their Circumstances, it will and Indeed already has, so greatly discouraged & Intimidated the Coasters & Fishermen whose only business is to Supply the Town with the Necessarys of Life that they will not Proceed, [90.] but be wholly Stopt, & as this is the Season of the year for Supplying the Town with Wood & Grain &c untill some method is taken to prevent Impressing of Coasters & Fishermen the Town will Soon be reduced to great distress.

Your Memorialists must therefore Intreat your Excellencys Consideration of the Premises, & that you will be pleased to Interpose in this affair of so great Consequence to the Town, by exerting your Endeavours to get the aforesaid Persons that are Impressed, dischargd from Cap^t. Adams & that He would give Orders to his Officers not to Impress any men for the Future belonging to Fishermen, Coasters & such Vessels as are constantly employd in Supplying the Town with the Necessaries of Life, or that you'll otherwise releave the Towns as in your great Wisdom you shall think best—

	JOSHUA HENSHAW	} Selectmen of Boston.
	JOSEPH JACKSON	
Sep ^t . 4 th . 1758.	THO ^s . CUSHING	
	JOHN SCOLLAY	
	BENJ ^a . AUSTIN	

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 5th. 1758— Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Hewes, Cushing Scollay & Austin.

The Selectmen being Informd that Several Regiments of his Majestys Troops from Louisbourg are Expected in this Town in their way to Albany, & as it will be necessary that some Provision should be made for them in Order to prevent disturbances in the Town, & as the Law which Impowers the Selectmen to make Provisions in Such Cases is expired, therefore Voted, that a Memorial be presented to the Governer & Council, to take this affair into their Consideration, & do what in their great Wisdom they may Judge [91.] will best preserve the Peace of the Town and prevent the disorder they may otherways be thrown into.

Boston ss. At a meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 6th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Austin.

Nuth^l. Wheelwright Esq^r. Appldy for Liberty to open a Drain in Atkinson Street

Voted that he have leave.

Cap^t. James Dalton & Jos. Wheeler appldy for Liberty to Open a drain in Orange street at the South End— Voted that he have leave.

John Odam desires Liberty to Erect a Wind Mill upon the Land belonging to the Town Leased to Sutton Byles.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 9th. 1758. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Oliver.

The Selectmen received a letter from Cap^t. Larraby Comm^r. of Castle William Informing them that He Stopd a Vessell from Halifax Master, Jonathan Harvey Master with one man on board Sick of the Small Pox & that he had orderd the Vessell to the Hospital.

Voted that M^r. Hartly the Keeper of the Hospital at Ransfords Island to receive the Sick man into the Hospital & to see that the Vessell is well Cleansed & that M^r. Hartly be directed to bring up to Town all the French Prisoners now there.

Voted that whereas the Well House or Ransford Island has been very much damaged by Lightning, that M^r. Scollay agrees with Some Carpenter to go down to repair the Same.

M^r. Hartly reports that the Schooner whereof Jon^a. Harvey is Master late from Halifax, as been Sufficiently Cleansed & aired and may be brought up to Town without Indangering the Inhabitants.

Voted that Cap^t. Harvey have Liberty to bring up his Vessell.

[92.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 25th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 4/8 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 12th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes & Scollay be a Committee to Confer with the Tenants in the Towns Shops upon the dock & Consider what Method will be but to take with respect to repairing S^d. Shops & Report Wednesday next.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 13th. 1758 Present Henshaw Cushing & Austin.

This day let the Celler under the Town House to Colonel Leonard Jarvis, & deliverd the Key to Joseph Jackson Truckman.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 17th. 1758. Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

M^r. Hartly represented to the Selectmen that Mary Hills & her two Children who have been Confined at the Hospital were well & fit to depart from the Island therefore.

Voted that the following Order be given to M^r. Hartly.

Boston 17th. October 1758.

M^r. Tho^s. Hartly

When Mary Hills & her two Children who have been Confined some time at the Island on Acco^t. of the Small Pox, are Sufficiently Cleansed & fit to Leave the Island then let them depart, they Satisfying you for your Trouble & Expence.

[93.] Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 18th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin Oliver.

— The Selectmen being Informed that a Proseccution is Engaged in by Major Jackson against Several Carts for Incomod- ing Dock Square — Voted that he at the Charge of the Town M^r. Pratt to Join with M^r. Thacher who is Kings Attorney in the Affair.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/ p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 25th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay, Austin.

Application being made by M^r. Holbrook Master of the South Writing School for some repairs of the Wood House belonging to the School — Voted that Cap^t. Henshaw and Cap^t. Hewes be a Committee to see what is Necessary to be done in the above & get it perfected —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 30th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 1st. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Voted that M^r. Baily who now Lives in Cap^t. Springs House near the North Latin School & came some time past from Newbury be orderd to depart the Town & that M^r. Adams takes Care that this Order be executed.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 8th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson. Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

[94.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 18th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Application being made to the Selectmen that Rowl^d. Marchant a Lad left at the Hospital at Ransfords Island some time past on Acco^t. of the Small Pox may Leave the Island — Voted that the following Order be Sent to M^r. Hartly —

Boston Nov^r. 18th. 1758.

M^r. Tho^s. Hartly

Whereas Rowland Marchant a Lad who was put on Shore at the Hospital on Ransfords Island some time past by Cap^t. Thacher is now recoverd from the Small Pox, it is our Orders that you let Him depart from the Island first taking Care that you are Satisfied as to your Charge & Trouble.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 22^d. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5 / p bush^l. 4^d. allowd for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 27th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 29th. 1758 Present Mess^{rs} Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay & Austin.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay & Austin be a Comm^o to See what is Necessary to be done to the Towns Shop at the head of the Dock lately Occupied by Widow Butler & to report what Rent is reasonable for M^r. Edw^d. Jackson to pay for S^d. Shop, He having from the Selectmen the Refusal of it.

[95.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 13th 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

M^r. Ephraim Langdon at the desire of the Selectmen Attended, & they having Informed him of the Town Vote passed in March last, that an Assistant be procured to M^r. Wiswall Master of the North Grammer School, & proposing to M^r. Langdon, whether He would Undertake to Officiate at S^d. School as an Assistant to M^r. Wiswall. He said that he had had some Conversation with M^r. Wiswall Concerning it, who Expressd His desire that M^r. Langdon might be with him, and thereupon M^r. Langdon Informd the Selectmen he was very willing to be an Assistant at S^d. School — the Selectmen then Agreed with him to pay him at the rate of Sixty Pounds Lawful Money p Annum and desired that He would give his Attendance at the School tomorrow.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 20th. 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/ p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 27th 1758 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay Austin and Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 10th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 17th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

[96.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 23^d. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Susannah Mills Wife of Will^m. Mills Marriner Informs that she has let a Room in her House in Fish Street, to one Carrol who came from the Eastward, ten days Since, with his Wife & four Children, is a Cooper by Trade, & M^r. Mills believes He is in pretty Low Circumstances.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 28th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/ p bush^l. & 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 28th. 1759
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Hewes Austin
& Oliver.

James Cunningham Master of one of the Fire Engines Informd
the Selectmen, that he Workd his Engine first at a Fire that Broke
out at M^r. Johnson Jacksons House a few weeks Since & desired
the Premium allowd by the Town, — Voted that S^d. Cunningham
have a draft for the Premium being 13/4 Lawful Money.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 7th. 1759
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Voted that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant for Calling a Town
Meeting for the Choice of Town Officers &c as the Law directs to
be on Monday the 12th. Instant at 9 o'Clock A.M.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 14th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin Oliver.

[97.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 21st.
1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay
Austin & Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/ p bush^l. & 4^d. All^d. for
Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 25th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Hewes Austin
& Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 28th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 4th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin &
Oliver.

Gideon Gardner desires to hier the House & Land on Boston
Neck belonging to the Town lately Leased to M^r. Hugh M^cDonnel,
whose Term expired the 25th. of March last S^d. Gardner will Lease
it for Seven years — Mem^o. M^r. M^cDonnel gave £16 — p Annum.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 11th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hews, Scollay
Austin.

The Engine House at the Dock being out of repair — Voted
that M^r. Scollay, get it repaired.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 18th. 1759 —
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing, Hewes, Scollay &
Austin.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat 5/ p bush^l. 4^d. Allowd for
Charges.

[98.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r 23^d.
1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes, Scollay & Austin.

This day Let the North Burying ground to M^r. Nath^l. Holmes for him to pay three pounds L^s. Money P Ann: He to Keep the Fence (Saving the Posts) in good repair & to Leave it in the Same manner.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 25th. 1759. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes Scollay, Austin & Oliver.

This day the Selectmen agreed with Gideon Gardner for the Hier of the House & Land on the Neck belonging to the Town, & that S^d. Gardner have a Lease of the Same for Seven years, to Commence the 25th. of March Last at the Annual Rent of Sixteen Pounds p Annum, S^d. Gardner to pay the Taxes, put on Fifteen Load of Dung each year, Keep the Same in good repair & deliver it up so, and give Bond for performing this Agreement.

James Mackmillon Informd that he has taken into His House one Samuel Hall from Medford Came to Town the 8th. Instant, is told that his Circumstances are good.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 30th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson, Cushing Scollay Austin.

Nath^l. Brown Master of Engine N^o. 2 Applyd for the Premium Allowed by the Town for being first at the Fire which broke out at Widow Sears's House & Barn in Charter Street — Voted that he have a draft upon the Treasurer for the Premium being Thirteen Shillings & four pence.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 4th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

M^r. W^m. Sutton Master of Engine Engine N^o. 7 Applyd for the Premium [99.] Allowed by the Town for being with the Engine the first at the Fire that broke out at M^r. Tho^s. Walker, near to the Alms House — Voted that M^r. Sutton have a Draft on the Treasurer for the Premium being Thirteen Shillings & 4^d.

M^r. John Brown Master of Engine N^o. 6 Applyd for the Premium Allowed by the Town for being with his Engine the first at the Fire that broke out, at the House of M^r. Timothy Fitch at New Boston. Voted that M^r. Brown have a draft on the Treasurer for thirteen Shillings & 4^d.

The Selectmen having received the Precept for the Choice of Suteable Persons to Represent the Town at the Great & General Court to be held at Boston the 30th. Instant. Agrees that the Inhabitants be Assembled for that Purpose on Tuesday the 15th. Instant at Nine o'Clock in the Forenoon, & the Town Clerk is directed to issue his Warrant Accordingly for a Town Meeting on that day.

Voted that the Rev^d. M^r. Mather Byles be desired to Pray with the Town at their Meeting on Tuesday the 15th. Instant & that M^r. Henshaw & M^r. Cushing wait upon Him for Said Purpose.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 9th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver

Cap. Jeremiah Pote brought James Tenny & Wife & one Child from Falmouth in Casco Bay.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 15th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay Austin.

M^r. Joseph Putnam Master of the Engine N^o. 4 Applied for the Premium allowd by the Town to the first Engine at the Fire which broke out at M^r. Reas Bakehouse near to the Mill Creek Voted that the S^d. Putnam have [100.] a draft on the Town Treasurer for the Premium being thirteen Shillings & 4^d.

Mem^o. to have William Leveret & his Wife Living on Wentworths Farm on the Neck Warned out of Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 23^d. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Oliver.

Enos How proposed to be a Retailer in His House on the Neck.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 28th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 5th. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

The Selectmen received a Precept from the Speaker of the House of Representatives, for the Choice of Suteable Persons to Represent the Town in the Great & General Court for the present year in the room of Thomas Hubbard Esq^r. who is Chosen into the Councill Agreed that the Town be Assembled for that purpose on Tuesday at Eleven o'Clock the 12th. Instant in the forenoon, & that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant for a Town on that day Accordingly.

Voted that Major Jackson & M^r. Oliver be a Committee to Confer with the Abutters of that part of Cross Street that Leads into back Street respecting the paving the Same as also to make a Calculation of what it will Cost the Town to pave their part and report at the next Meeting.

[101.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 6th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 5 / p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

to Inquire of M^r. Adams relating M^r. Cloughs Maid.

M^r. Dupee the Carver has taken in a French deserter from Canada.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 14th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Whereas there is Considerable Work to be done this year on Boston Neck, & the Free Negroes of the Town have been for Several years exempted from any duty, therefore it was Some time past Voted that they be Orderd to attend the Selectmen, & on this day the following Negroes Attended Bristol Jeffries who will

do what work He is orderd to do — Pompey Blackman who agrees to pay half a doll^r. p day for so many days as he shall be orderd — Liecester Black ditto — Dick Tyng to pay half a dollar as above — David Primus ditto — Homer Blackadore Sickly.

Voted that Cap^t. Hewes M^r. Cushing & M^r Austin be a Committee to agree with some Master of a Vessell bound to Louisbourg for Passages for the Soldiers Wives (left in this Town belonging to & left by Col^o. Burton) for so many as are Capeable of being Transported.

Voted that the Vissitation of the Schools be on Wednesday the 4th of July & the following Gentlemen be Invited to Accompany the Selectmen Eight o'Clock A.M.

M^r. Hubbard
 Secretary Oliver
 M^r. Hancock
 D^r. Pynchon
 the Representatives
 Overseers of the Poor
 D^r. Sewall
 D^r. Chauncy
 M^r. Cooper
 M^r. Eliot
 M^r. Chickly
 M^r. Byles
 M^r. Chickly Jun^r.
 M^r. Nat Perkins
 M^r. Welles
 M^r. Grant
 M^r. Wheelwright
 Judge Cradock
 Foster Hutchinson
 M^r. James Otis
 Treasurer Jeffries
 M^r. Thacher
 M^r. Henry Loyd
 Rich^d. Clark
 M^r. Trollet
 M^r. Hill
 Nich^o. Boylston
 Deacon Tyler
 M^r. Swift
 Cap^t. Hammock
 M^r. Vassall
 D^r. Noyes
 Deacon Salter
 M^r. Savage

[102.]

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 20th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay & Austin

Solomon Kneeland Master of Engine N^o. 9 Applyd for Six Pails for his Engine those that he had some years past being quite use-

less — Voted that M^r. Kneeland purchase Six wooden Pails & get them painted to preserve them from decaying.

This day agreed with M^r. Sam^l. Sumner to Supply the Town with all the Gravel the Selectmen may want to Compleat the Pavement that is Still to be finished on the Neck, & for Repairing the Sides of the Way, or for any other purpose that it may be wanted for on any part of the Neck for which he is to be paid Eight Shillings old tenor p Load

M^r. Roger Lobb Applyd for a Licence He having removed from his House in Fish Street to a House at three doors distance — M^r. Ruby & M^{rs}. Hudson two retailers Object to the House he removes to as it is verry nigh them that a Licensed House is not there wanted.

Nath^l. Breed Informs that he has Let a House to Cap^t. Adam McNeal a Stranger as p Information on File.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin Oliver.

Voted that Cap^t. James Cunningham have a Premium for his Engine being the first at the Fire that Broke out lately at Sol^l. Kneeland he having made Application for it.

[103.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 27th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

This day Docter Thomas Mather Practitioner in Physick and Surgery of Pomfret, waited on the Selectmen with the Rev^d. D^r. Mather of this Town, & Infordm them, that he was come into the Town for the recovery of his Health & M^r. Mather offerd the Selectmen Sufficient Security if required.

On this day the Selectmen according to their Vote Attended the Vissitation of the Schools Accompanyd by the following Gentlemen Viz

The Hon^{ble}. Sam^l. Willes Esq^r.
 John Wheelwright Esq^r.
 Tho^s. Hancock Esq^r.
 Royal Tyler Esq^r.
 John Phillips Esq^r.
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 Eben^r. Storer Esq^r.
 M^r. John Tudor
 M^r. W^m. Phillips
 James Pitts Esq^r.
 Tho^s. Flucker Esq^r.
 James Otis Esq^r.
 Belcher Noyes Esq
 D^r. Nath^l. Perkins
 Cap^t. John Hancock
 M^r. Tho^s. Hill
 M^r. Isaac Smith
 M^r. Benj^s. Dolbear
 Malatia^h Bourne Esq^r.

Rev^d. D^r. Sewall
 M^r. Eliot
 M^r. Cooper
 George Cradock Esq^r.
 Foster Hutchinson Esq^r.
 Richard Clark Esq^r.
 Sam^l. Grant Esq^r.
 M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 M^r. Tho^s. Tyler
 M^r. Samuel Swift
 M^r. Alex^s. Chamberlain
 Rev^d. M^r. Byles

And they found the North Grammer School, the North Writing School, the South Grammer School, the Writing School in Queen Street the Writing School in the Common with the Scholars all in good Order.

[103.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 11th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver

Voted that Thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence be allowed towards Paving that part of Cross Street that Leads from Middle Street into back Street.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 25th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Austin.

Whereas Sherman Lewis of the Schooner Sybell from Connecticut has brought M^{rs}. Buck a Passenger and never reported Her at the Import Office, Agreeable to Law — Voted that M^r. Adams be directed to Seek out M^r. Sherman Lewis when he returns from Connecticut and direct him to Attend upon the Selectmen as soon after his Arrival as possible.

Sam^l. Welles Esq^r. Informed the Selectmen that he has Let a House to one Michael Hugo Frazier as p^r. Information on File.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

This day the Selectmen Certified M^r. Thomas Hartlys Acco^t. for two years Salary due to him from the Province Viz^t. from the 25th. of March 1757 to the 25th of March last being at the rate of Thirteen pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence p. Annum, & also for Seven Cord of Wood due to him in the year 1758 and Seven Cord of Wood more for the present year the whole Acco^t. being £37 — 8 — Lawful Money.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/4 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

[104.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 1st. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that M^r. Samuel Adams have a draft for his Prem^{ns}. for

the year 1757 He having produced the Several Treasurers Receipts for the Money he was Impowered to Collect for Said year.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 8th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

The Selectmen took into Consideration the Value of the Land belonging to the Town of Boston adjoining to the Land of Solomon Kneeland formerly belonging to his Father, the Selectmen being Commissioned by the Town to make Sale of Said Land, do Set the Value of it at £33 — 6 — 8 Lawfull Money — Voted that if M^r. Kneeland will give that Sum for it, that the Selectmen will execute a deed to Him for it.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Jackson & Scollay be a Committee to get the bounds within the Posts at the Entry of the Market to the Westward Enlarged & that two Rails with Posts be put at the East end of the Market to prevent the Carts & Trunks Incomoding the Entry into the Market that way & that M^r. Adams & M^r. Williston be desired daily to Attend & see that the Carts that Stop to Sell their Wares in the Square do Move around the Market Close to the Rails on the North Side.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 15th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay and Austin.

[105.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 22^d. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Scollay Henshaw Austin.

Voted that M^r. Abijah Adams & Thomas Williston be appointed to See that the late By Law respecting the Market be put in Execution & to prosecute all offenders.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 22^d. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. Thomas M^cDonald he not being an Inhabitant of any Town in this Province, He came from Guardelupe in a Vessell bound to Louisbourg, & was put on Shore at Marblehead, He has lost his hearing, was wounded at Guardalupe.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 27th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Austin & Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set at Wheat 5/4 bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Nath^l. Brown Master of Engine N^o. 9 Applyd for the Premium of 13/4 allowd by the Town for working his Engine the first at the Fire that broke out at the Warehouse of Foster Hutchinson Esq^r. the 28th. of June Last — Voted that he have a draft accordingly

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 28th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Joseph Dogget Pilot Master of the Sloop Windsor Joseph Luce late Master waited on the Selectmen with M^r. Hartly & Informd them that S^d. Sloop Sailld from Philadelphia the 5th. Instant

Loaded with Flour & Iron that on the 7th the S^d. Master was taken down with the Small Pox [106.] & died the 17th. at Marthas Vineyard, that when He deceased, they Carried on Shore his Bed Bedding & every thing that was with him in the Cabin except some Paper, that before they Saild from the Vineyard which was the 24th. Instant they Smoakd the Vessell with Brimstone & washed the Cabin & Steerage with Vinegar, & put on Shore everything Liable to Infection, & that Since they were at Ransfords Island they have put on Shore the Paper, that there remains on board S^d. Sloop a man that has not had the Small Pox.

Voted that M^r. Hartly takes Care that the Vessell is Sufficiently Smoakd & Cleansed & that every thing on board liable to Infection be taken on Shore, & that the Person Liable to the distemper be put into the Well House untill it may be determined whether he will have the distemper or not & then report to the Selectmen — On which M^r. Hartly reported that the Vessell was Sufficiently Cleansed that the Paper was put on Shore as also the Person Liable to the Distemper — Voted that S^d. Sloop be permitted to Come up to Town & gave M^r. Hartly the follow^g Order.

Boston Aug^t. 28th. 1759.

M^r. Hartly

Whereas you have reported to the Selectmen that you have Sufficiently Smoakd & Cleansed the Sloop Windsor Joseph Luce late Master from Philadelphia which was Stopt at the Hospital on Acco^d. of the Small Pox. It is our Orders that you let the S^d. Sloop depart the Island after you have taken on Shore every thing Liable to Infection as also the Person who has not had the distemper & there remain untill [107.] further Orders from us.

Charles Slight who came in Cap^t. Bryant from the Bay of Honduras who appears to be Sick and in a Suffering Condition Applyd to the Selectmen for relief He says that he has Considerable Wages due — Voted that He be sent to the Alms House & that Enquiry be made about his wages & what is due to him.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug. 29th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Mess^{rs}. Fosdick & Thornton this day agreed with the Selectmen to pave the piece of Way at Charlestown Ferry Way Imediatly, to do all & find all for twenty three pounds Lawfull Money, & to do it to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen..

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 3^d. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Cap^t. Joseph Eddy Master of the Sloop Sally waited upon the Selectmen & reported that he arrivd this Morning from Jamaica, that he Saild from thence the 25th. of July last, that there is no Sickness on board his Vessell more than Common that he has not any Body Sick in his Vessell — Voted that he have liberty to Come to Town his Ship being Stopt at the Castle on Suspicion of having Sickness on board.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 5th. 1759 --- Pres-Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes & Austin.

[108.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 12th. 1759 --- Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

Granted M^r. Austin Liberty to Open a Drain before his House in Sudbury Street.

Voted that the Perambulation of the Boundary Lines with the Town of Roxbury be on Friday the 21st. Instant and that the Town Clerk write a Letter to the Selectmen of Roxbury to be Accordingly Sent to Inform them thereof.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 19th. 1759 --- Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

M^r. David Wheeler applyd to the Selectmen for Liberty to Open a drain in Pond Lane ---

Voted that he have Liberty to do it, & that he repair the Lane to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Assize of Bread Sell as Wheat at 6/2 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 26th. --- Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay & Austin.

The Selectmen according to their Appointment Perambulated the boundary Lines between Boston & Roxbury on Friday last being the 21st. Instant & a return thereof Signed by the Selectmen by the S^d. Towns is as follows Viz^t. the Acco^t. on File.

Mem^o. Watchmen to take Care of Negroes after 9 O'Clock ---

Agreed that the Stalls in Faneuil Hall Market be reduced of their price one Quarter part to Commence at the time the Market was Ordered to be Shut at Eleven o'Clock & so to Continue untill further Orders.

[109.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 3^d. 1759 --- Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 17th. 1759 --- Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Cushing Scollay Austin.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 6 / 2 p bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charge.

M^r. Ebenezer Pierpont of Roxbury has agreed with Mess^{rs}. Henshaw & Scollay in behalf of the Selectmen to build a Stone Wall three feet high & thirty four Rod Long, that is from Nole to Nole on the East Side of Boston Neck oposite to M^r. Wentworths House for which he is to be paid four hundred pounds Old tenor, he is likewise to build a Stone Wall on the West Side of ten or twelve Rod Long for which He is to be paid One hundred Pounds Old tenor.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 24th. 1759 --- Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Oliver.

Benj^a. Starbuck Master of the Sloop Phenix reports that he Sald from Philadelphia the 6th. Instant that on the 4th. Instant

his Vessell was Stopped at the Castle on Account of the Small Pox being in Philadelphia that his Lading Consists of Flour & Iron, that he has nothing on board liable to retain any Infection, that his People have not had the distemper, that he does not think any of them will, as they were not on Shore near any place where the distemper was — Voted that he be permitted to Come to Town with his Vessell.

Cap'. Edmund Morton reports that he came from Philadelphia in the Sloop Eliza the 24th. of last Month that he was taken up at Sea the 18 Instant by Cap'. Theop'. Demmick in a foundering Condition, that Cap'. Dimock [110.] In Sloop Success Sailed from Philadelphia the 27th. of Sep'. last that he had not any Person Sick or Indisposed, that the Sloop Success is Loaded with Wheat flour & Iron, that she has nothing on board liable to retain Infection, that S^d. Vessell is now Stopped at the Castle on Suspicion of having the Small Pox on Board.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct'. 29th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octob'. 31st. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Cap'. Nath'. Sheverick reports that he came from Philadelphia in the Sloop Endeavour on the 5th. Instant, that he has on board his Vessell for Cargo Flour & Wheat & that there is nothing on board Liable to retain the Infection of the Small Pox & that all his People are well.

M^r. John May is appointed weigher of Hay at the South Market &c (See his Bond.)

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov'. 10th 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

The Selectmen being Informd that the Ship Thornton John Ekshaw Master from Quebec has a Number of People on board Sick, the Master was Sent for & reported that he has brought with him One hundred & Seventy Sailors (being part of those the Province Supplyd Admiral Saunders & which he has dismissed) about Seven or Eight of which are Sick, & a Number of others Complaining — Voted that the Master be orderd Imediatly to go with his Ship to Ransfords Island & there deliver all his Sick People and [111.] Accordingly the Master was directed Imediatly to proceed to the Island aforesaid & the following directions were Sent to M^r. Hartly Keeper of Said Island.

Boston Nov^r. 10th. 1759

M^r. Hartly

The Ship Thornton John Ekshaw Master lately Arrivd from Quebec has a Number of Sick on board, we have Orderd the Vessel to Ransfords Island & you must receive the Sick People into the Hospital & take all Needful Care of them, you must then come up to town to get what may be Necessary for their Accomodation

& Support, the Vessell may return to Town as soon as she has delivered the Sick on Shore.

The following directions were also at the Same time given to Cap^t. Ekshaw.

Boston Novemb^r. 10th. 1759

Cap^t. Ekshaw

Whereas we have been Informd that you have a Number of Sick People on board the Ship Thornton yourself Master, & it is apprehended by the Physician who has Seen them that they are Sick of an Infectious distemper, & if they are permitted to Come on Shore will Endanger the Health of the Inhabitants, we hereby direct you Imediatly to proceed with your Vessell to Ransfords Island, you must not Suffer any of your Sick to Land here, but must deliver them to M^r. Hartly the Keeper of the Hospital at Ransford Island who will take Care of them & you may return Imediatly with your Ship, M^r. Hartly will Imediatly receive the Sick upon your Arrival at the Island —

JOSHUA HENSHAW	}	Selectmen
JO ^s . JACKSON		
THO ^s . CUSHING		
SAM ^l . HEWES		
JOHN SCOLLAY		
BENJ ^t . AUSTIN		

[112.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 15th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay, Austin & Oliver.

Whereas by the Fire that broke out yesterday at Olivers Dock, many Persons have been reduced from Comfortable Circumstances to a State of Absolute Want & Poverty and who Accordingly need some Imediate releif and whereas any releif that may be obtained by Subscription is not so likely to be distributed in so Equal & Just a manner as ought allways to take place on Such Occasions.

Voted that a Letter be Imediatly wrote to the Ministers of the respective Churches in this Town desiring them to recommend it to their Several Churches to make a Collection on the next Lords in the afternoon for the releif of Such of the Sufferers by the late Fire as may need it, & Voted that the Money so Collected be paid into the hands of Tho^s. Hancock Tho^s. Hubbard Joseph Dowse Sam^l. Grant John Phillips & Malatiah Bourne Esq^r. & Docter Sylvester Gardner — to be by them distributed to the Sufferers in proportion to their late Losses & their pressent Necessity & accordingly the following Letter was wrote & Sent to the Several Ministers in the Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 19th. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing, Scollay Austin & Oliver

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 5 / 10 p bush^l. 4^s. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 21st. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

[113.] Cap^t. Wimble Informed the Selectmen that he had this day arrivd in his Sloop Staniford from New York at which place the Small Pox raged to a verry great degree on which the Selectmen wrote to the Governer requesting Him to give Orders that all Vessells from New York may be Stopt at Castle William — Cap^t. Wimble says that he has on board for Cargo Flour, Pitch one Bale of English Goods & twenty Bales of Cotton; that he has taken all the Care he could, least any Infection should be Communicated — Voted that Cap^t. Wimble Send the Bales of Cotton English Goods to Ransfords Island to the Care of M^r. Hartley that they be there Kept under his Care untill further Orders — the following Orders the Selectmen gave to Cap^t. Wimble

Boston Nov^r. 20th. 1759.

Cap^t. Will^m. Wimble.

S^r. you being Just Arrived from New York in your Sloop Staniford & having on board one Bale of English goods & Several Bales of Cotton & as the Small Pox rages at New York, & those goods are Liable to retain Infection it is therefore our Orders that you Send the Bale of English goods & the Bales of Cotton & any other English goods Liable to Infection down to Ransfords Island & Committ them to the Care of M^r. Hartly Keeper of the Hospital in order to be Aird.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 28th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Assize of Bread Set as Wheat at 6 / 2 p. bush^l. allowd 4^d. for Charges.

[114.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 12th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Austin Oliver.

W^m. Clark Informs of his taking in W^m. Jackson his Wife and Child from Rhode island.

Benj^m. Cooper at the North End by Clerks Ship yard Informs the Selectmen of his taking into his House Nathan Sawyer his Wife & three Children from Newbury allso Benjamin Labberce from Newbury.

Sam^l. Jackson with his Wife & one Child at W^m. Clarks at the South End Come from Rhode island by Land about a Month ago in order to get a passage to Philadelphia where they belong.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 19th. 1759 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Jane Lackey Living Oposite the North Battery Informs the Selectmen that she has taken into Her House One Symonds from Quebec formerly belonging to Medford.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 31st. 1759 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay.

Assize of Bread Set at 6/2 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 2^d. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin.

Application was made to the Selectmen that a Premium of 13/4 may be allowed the Company belonging to the [115.] Engine N^o. 2 for Working Said Engine first at the Fire that broke out the beginning of the last Month at a House near Copps Hill — Voted that the Same be accordingly allowed them.

John Ruddock Esq^r. one of the Collectors of Taxes proposed Cap^t. Nath^l. Greenwood & M^r. Caleb Parker as Sureties for Him — Voted that they be Accepted.

M^r. Samuel Adams another Collector proposed Andrew Oliver Jun^r. Esq^r. & M^r. Robert Perpont for his Sureties — Voted that they be accepted.

M^r. Jonathan Payson another Collector proposed Jon^a. Cary, Cooper, & John Greaton Inholder in Roxbury for his Sureties, — Voted that they be Accepted.

M^r. John Grant the other Collector proposed Samuel Grant Esq^r. & Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon for his Sureties. — Voted that they be Accepted.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 9th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 16th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Yesterday the Selectmen were Informed by D^r. Kast that a Person was taken down with the Small Pox at the Widdow Graves's near to D^r. Mumfords on which D^r. Whitworth was desired by the Selectmen to Vissit S^d. Person & Report — Accordingly He soon reported that the Person was Certainly Seized with the Small Pox & gave it as his Opinion, that he might be moved with [116.] Utmost Safety, He was Accordingly removed to the House at New Boston lately taken up on Acco^t. of the Province, with his Bed & bedding & a Nurse & all other Necessarys to be provided for Him, at the Same time the Selectmen desired D^r. Whitworth to Attend him — the Mans Name is Thomas Patten he belongs to Wells in the County of York He came a few days past from New York, where it is Supposed He got the distemper.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 30th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

There being a dispute between M^r. Eben^r. Pierpont & the Selectmen about the length of the Wall which he agreed to build on the East Side of the Neck, Opposite M^r. Wentworth He now agrees to build the the Wall on the West Side the Neck, near to M^r. Wentworths Land, fourteen Rod & of highth & Breadth agreeable to the agreement which was two feet & half Broad & two foot high —
Signed EBEN^r. PIERPONT.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 6 1/2 p^h. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 6th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Cap^t. James Clemans applyd for Liberty to Keep a Tavern at the House M^r. Wright lately Occupied and after Consideration on his reasons therefore — Voted that he Accordingly have Liberty.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 13th. 1760. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing Hewes Austin.

[117.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 18th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

This day D^r. Sprague reported to the Selectmen that One Gideon Bail belonging to Albany now at M^r. Richardsons at the South End is taken down with the Small Pox, upon which it was Voted that D^r. Spragues House at New Boston be Imediatly taken up & that M^r. Williston be directed to make a Fire & prepare a Room Imediatly for his reception. It was also Voted that S^d. Ball be directly removed from S^d. Richardsons to D^r. Spragues House at New Boston & that M^r. Henshaw & M^r. Scollay be a Committee to see him removed & that M^r. Cushing & M^r. Austin Imediatly See D^r. Whitworth & desire him to attend upon S^d. Ball during his Sickness & they are also to take Care that S^d. House is prepared for S^d. Balls reception.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 19th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Austin.

M^r. Benjⁿ. Smith Infordm that he had taken into his House, at the West part of the Town one Peter Laundree a French Neutral from Milton.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen February 20th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Austin & Oliver.

[118.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 25th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay & Oliver.

Boston. ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 26th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Oliver.

Information being given to the Selectmen that a Schooner Polly Samuel Horton Master (belonging to Marblehead) lately Arrivd at Marblehead from Philadelphia & yesterday Came to the Hospital at Ransfords Island being Sent thither by the Selectmen of Marblehead, who were under Apprehensions that there may be some danger of the Small Pox, as She is Come from Philadelphia where it prevails — Application was made by Col^o. Lee that She may be permitted to return to Marblehead.

Upon which Jeremiah Hagorty Mate who went the voyage in S^d. Schooner was examined by the Selectmen & says that Cap^t. Horton was taken Ill with the Small Pox at Philadelphia about two

Weeks before they Sailed but was on Shore Longer & Left there Sick with that distemper, that Cargo of S^d. Vessell Consists only of a Quantity of Flour, Iron, & about fifty five bush^l. of Bran, & that there is nothing Else on board, that no Person is Sick on Board, but all in good Health, when at Philadelphia & were Since, that there is two Persons that belong to S^d. Schooner, who have not had the Small Pox, but they are very Well.

On which the Selectmen gave Orders to M^r. Hartly to take on Shore at the Island the Bran & the mans Chest who died at Philadelphia with the Cloaths that are in it, also the Master & one man who have not had the Small Pox [119.] and any Woolins that the men may have purchased at Philadelphia & there Keep them untill further Orders.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 27th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 6/2 p bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

M^r. Hartly reported to the Selectmen that he had taken on Shore at Rainsfords Island from on board the Polly Samuel Horton Master the Bran &c. Ordered the 26th. Ult^o. & that they are Sufficiently Aird & that he Apprehends there will be no danger in permitting the two to depart the Island as they make no Complaint & have been now Twenty days from Philadelphia therefore Ordered M^r. Hartly to Let the two men depart & deliver the things taken on Shore to their respective Owners.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 5th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Agreed with Cap^t. French who is bound to Philadelphia for the Passage of Moses M^cConnell who has been for Some time in the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. & deliverd Cap^t. French one Bed & a Blanket which he is to return again & for S^d. M^cConnells passage & provisions Cap^t. French is to be paid Five dollars.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 11th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

[120.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 19th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 26th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Scollay Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 12th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin Oliver.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 6/2 P bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

The Selectmen Appoint Cap^t. Isaac Dupee to make enquiry after

all Such Persons that come into Town as Strangers, & are not Inhabitants here, & make report thereof to the Selectmen from time to time, & S^d. Dupee is Impowred to Warn Such Persons as they Shall have Warrants for to depart the Town and all his doings in Consequence of this Appointment He is to Enter in a Book to be Kept for that Purpose.

Cap^t. Dupee is also Appointed & Impowred to Act as Clerk of Faneuil Hall Market from this time during the Indisposition of M^r. Abijah Adams, the Standing Clerk, & he is to prosecute all Breaches of the Law of the Town for the regulation of S^d. Market.

Voted that M^r. Williston direct the Sealers of Wood to be at the Selectmens Room the next Wednesday.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 31st. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that M^r. Brown of the Engine at New Boston have an Order for two Premiums for Working his Engine the first at the Fire at M^r. Bowdoins House near to Docter [121.] Mayhews Meeting which was on Fire, also at M^r. Eustices House in Sudbury Street which was on Fire.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 p. bush^l. 4^d. for Charge.

Voted that M^r. Read Master of the Marlborough Engine have three Premiums for Working his Engine first at the Fire at Griffins Wharf, at Cap^t. Forbu's & at the Great Fire which began Lately in Cornhill.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 1st. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. Hartly Informed the Selectmen that the Ship True Brittain Cap^t. Searle Master arrived yesterday at Rainsfords Island from Antigua, that he left that place twenty one days ago, that Since that time, they have had Nine Persons on board that have had the Small Pox, that Seven of them are quite well, the other two men are on the recovery, that there is no Person now on board Liable to that distemper, on which the following Orders were given to M^r. Hartly.

M^r. Hartly

As the Ship True Briton Cap^t. Searle Master is arrived at your Island from Antigua & on her passage Several Persons have had the Small Pox on board, and there being Several Passengers who are not liable to the distemper, it is our Orders that you let them Leave the Island after they are Sufficiently Aird & Shifted with Cloaths from the Town, let none of the Women Leave the Island or the Vessell & let none of the People nor any thing Come from on board the Vessell & use your discretion in the Smoking & airing the Vessell & the mens Cloaths & then report to us.

[122.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 9th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

George Pringle a Blind man now in the Alms House applyd & desires a passage may be procured for him for England, He was borne in Shields ner New Castle.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ap^r. 16th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

Deacon Timothy Newell Guardian to the Children of M^r. Jeremiah Allen deceased, Appld to the Selectmen Concerning the Vote that passed in the Town Meeting in March last for widening Ann Street, & as the Selectmen by S^d. Vote are directed to Treat with Such Persons as are Interested in the House belonging to S^d. Allens Estate or the Guardians of Such as are Minors, what they expect to have for so much thereof as is Necessary to be taken down for widening S^d. Street, the Selectmen after some discourse thereon with Deacon Newell agreed to refer the Same as follows Viz^t. whether any Sum & how much shall be given to S^d. Allens Heirs for what of S^d. House & Land may be taken for widening S^d. Street, as it shall be determined by Samuel Grant Esq^r. & M^r. John Barratt and Such third Person as they shall Choose, in Case of their Nonagreement neither party to be absolutely bound by Such determination.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April the 28^d. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

[123.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 30th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Benj^r. Ross is appointed a Watch man at the S^o. Watch House.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5 / 8 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 5th. 1760 —

Cap^t. Francis Ingraham Master of a Sloop from Monta Christy reports that on his passage from thence he buryd one of his men with the Small Pox four days before his Arrival here, that he has four Persons on board who have not had the Small Pox, Voted that M^r. Hartly take on Shore the above four Persons & there Keep them untill further Orders, that the Vessell be Sufficiently Cleansd & Smoakd & that he report to the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 7th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Oliver.

This day Seven of those People Called Neutrals were by Royal Tyler Sent to the Selectmen for them (for the pressant) to take Care & provide for them — S^d. Neutrals came from the Town of Reading their Names are as follows. Viz^t. John Tibbedeau & his Wife Margaret, Paul & Joseph Tibbedeau their Sons, Mary & Elizabeth Tibbedeau their daughters Mary L^a. Berthier Gran daughter — the allowance in the Town for five Persons was as follows, 3 half Pecks India n Meal one Peck Rye 9^l. Pork 12^l. Beef & Sauce & 2 Qu^{ts}. Milk P day.

[124.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 14th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Austin Jackson.

Cap^t. Joseph Godfry of Schooner Lydia from Philadelphia re-

ports that he has been from thence twelve days and all well on board, but not having had the Small Pox & some of the Cargo he has on board being Liable to the Infection of the Small Pox, Viz^t. Hemp & Duck, Voted, that it be Landed at Rainsfords Island, & accordingly gave M^r. Hartly Orders to receive the Same & to have it well Aird.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 21st. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson, Hewes, Scollay & Austin.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson & Scollay be a Committee to see that a Fence is put up round the South Battery as it was before the late Fire & that a House be Erected for the reception of the Military Stores, Conformable to a Vote of the Town at their last Meeting.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 26th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay and Austin.

Cap^t. Nathanael Winslow Master of the Sloop Fhenix & Cap^t. Robert Montgomery of the Sloop Hannah & Martha Report that they left New York the 7th. Instant & this day Arriv^d off Castle William where they were Stopt on Acco^t. of the Small Pox being in New York, that they have no [125.] Cargo on board being in their Ballast, that they took no goods on board (being in their Ballast) At New York nor any other thing Liable to Infection that they are all well on board. Voted they be permitted up to Town

At the same time James Campbell Master of the Sloop Endeavour reported that he left Philadelphia the Ninth Instant, that he has on board for Cargo, Flour, Iron and two hundred Rheams of Paper, that he took no goods of any other Sort on board his Vessell, that he arrived this day off Castle William & was there Stopt —

Voted that the Paper be put on Shore at Rainsfords Island to the Care of M^r. Hartlys when that is done, the Vessell be permitted to Come up to Town, the Selectmen gave M^r. Hartly orders to receive the Paper.

The Hon^{ble}. John Osburne Esq^r. Sent a Message to the Selectmen desiring the Use of Faneuil Hall for the Gov^r. Council &c to dine in on the Ensuing Election Day. — Voted that Liberty be granted.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 P. bush^l. S^d. All^d. for Charge.

This day the Officers of the Artilery Company desired of the Selectmen the Liberty of Faneuil Hall on the next Monday being Artilery Election of Officers & for their Company to Dine in — Voted that Liberty be granted.

This day the Selectmen took into Consideration the State of the French Neutrals lately Sent into this Town and Accordingly wrote the following Letter to the General Court who are to dispose of them through the County.

Boston May 27th. 1760 —

Gentlemen

The Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Boston, Agreeable to the request & desire of the Committee [126.] Ap-

pointed by the General Court to Apportion a Number of the French Inhabitants among the Several Towns in the County of Suffolk have made Such Provision for Said Inhabitants as was Necessary for their Comfortable Support as they came into the Town, we expected to have had the Care of them, but about two or three days, it is now above three weeks. We take Leave to Inform the Committee that we are so Engaged in the Towns Bussiness that we Cannot possibly attend to this Affair for any Longer time than this week, the Committee therefore will be pleased after that time to make Such provision for the Inhabitants aforesaid as they in their Wisdom shall think propper —

We with great respect remain

your most Obedient Serv^{ts}.

THE SELECTMEN.

To the Hon^{ble}. Sam^l. Watts Esq^r. & others a Committee &c.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 29th. 1760—
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay & Austin

William Peake Master of the Schooner Ann from Philad^a. reports that he Saild from that place, Nine days ago that He has on board for Cargo, Flour, Iron & about one Tun & a half of Hemp, that he has no other goods on board liable to receive Infection, that himself and none of his People were on Shore while there & that they are all well on board.

Cap^t. Dingly in a Sloop from Philadelphia reports that he Saild from thence about Nine days past that he has on board for Cargo, Flour Iron & about fifty Rheams of Paper.

[127.] The Selectmen having received Information from M^r. Robb Sugar Baker & from other Persons, lately from Philadelphia, respecting the State of the Small Pox in that place, the Selectmen thereupon Come into the follow^g Vote — that application be made to the Governor that the the Prohibition be taken off of Ves^{els} coming from Philadelphia may be permitted to pass the Castle, without being Stoppd.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 4th. 1760 —
Present Henshaw, Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. Nath^l. Brown Master of Engine N^o. 2 desires that two men may be added to his Engine, agreeable to the Vote of the Town in May last, & proposed Joseph Balch & Joseph True — the Selectmen Consented to it & appointed S^d. Balch & True to S^d. Engine accordingly, to do Such duty as is required by Said Vote.

M^r. Bently Master of Engine N^o. 1 Applyd to the Selectmen for a Bounty for working his Engine the first, at the Fire at M^r. Lillys House near to the Old North Meeting House about a Month past.

Whereas it is thought Necessary & Convenient that the Engine House, that now Stands near the old North Meeting House & Oposite to S^r. Henry Franklands Mansion House be removed from that place to the land on the Square near to the Watch House — Voted that Mess^{rs}. Austin & Scollay be a Committee to take Care that Watch House is removed and repaired.

[128.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 11th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay & Austin.

Daniel Calef Applys for Liberty to Open a drain in the Street near to Winnessimmit Ferry, Voted that he have Liberty, He Engageing to Lay the pavement down again in good Order.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 18th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver.

M^r. Bently Appld for an Addition of two men to the Engine which he Commands & proposed Jonathan Brown & George Rumly for the approbation of the Selectmen — Voted that the above men be added to the Engine.

Elias Robinson Master of Engine N^o. 3 being Incapable through Indisposition of Body to do his duty in that Service desires He may for the above reason be dismissed on which M^r. James Barnard was appointed to that office at the Same time S^d. Barnard appld for four men to be added to the Engine under his Command & proposed the following Persons Viz^t. Henry Newell Edw^d. Burbeck Jun^r. Elias Robinson & John Adams for the aprobation of the Selectmen — Voted that the above Person be added to S^d. Engine.

Francis Archibald Informed the Selectmen that he has taken into his House as a Maid Servant Mary Meeke who came from Marblehead.

[129.] Voted that Mess^{rs}. Jackson & Scollay be a Committee to wait on the Lieut^t. Governour desireing that he would give Such Orders to the Selectmen, as he shall think fit for Supplying any deficiency of men that may at any time happen in the Engines.

Solomon Kneeland Master of Engine N^o. 9 Informed the Selectmen that he Chose to resigne that office on which the Selectmen Appointed Stephen Greenleaf to Succeed him as Master of S^d. Engine, at the Same time S^d. Greenleaf appld for the Addition of one Man to S^d. Engine in the Room of M^r. Greenleaf & proposed Ebenezer M^r. Intosh who was by the Selectmen Approbated.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 25th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay, Austin, Oliver.

Agreed that the Vissitation of the Publick Schools be on Wednesday the 2^d. day of July next, & that the following Gentlemen be Invited to Accompany the Selectmen Viz^t. the List on File.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 30th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Henshaw & Scollay be a Committee to repair the way at the head Eliot Street near to M^r. Powells & the other ways that are frequented in that Neighbourhood

Voted that M^r. Henshaw & Austin be a Committee to repair Purchase Street near Cap^t. Eglestones —

[130.] Voted that the following Letter be Sent to the Select-

men of Roxbury respecting one Dorcas How, who is an Inhabitant of that Town & is now in the Alms House in this Town.

Boston June 30th. 1760.

Gentlemen

We have at our Alms House one Dorcas How who lately Came from your Town, she is Sick & in Such Circumstances as at present render her removal unsafe, we sometime Since Informd, Joseph Williams Esq^r. your Representative of this Matter, but she Still Continues with us & at Considerable Expence, as she is an Inhabitant of Roxbury She is at your Charge — perhaps you will Incline to provide for her yourselves & in Such way as you may think best, we therefore give you this Information that you may Act as you think proper on this Occasion — We are &c —

THE SELECTMEN OF ROXBURY.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 9th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Orders were given to the Engine men as P Copy on file — Commencement day no meeting of the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 22^d. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Joseph Cocks Master of the Sloop Charming Molly reports that he arrived in Town the last Evening from Philadelphia [131.] That He left that Place Eighteen days past, that He has on board for Cargo, Flour, Iron, & Six Tuns of Hemp that there is no One on board his Vessell that have had the Small Pox, that his Men on board are all well, that all the Hemp Saving about Fifteen Hundred weight Came out of the Country directly, was taken out of the Waggon directly on board the Vessell at Philadelphia, the above Fifteen Hundred weight was taken on board from a Store by the Water Side, He further Says that the Small Pox is in but very few Houses in Philadelphia, & where it is by Inoculation.

Voted that Cap^t. Cocks have liberty to come to Town with His Vessell.

M^r. Hartly Informed the Selectmen that the Sloop Ann Thomas Morton Master, arrivd at Rainsfords Island the last Night from Philadelphia that there is one of his Men on board Sick of the Small Pox, that there is no other Person on board Liable to that distemper, that his Cargo is Flour Iron & about one hundred Rheams of Paper — the Selectmen Ordered M^r. Hartly as follows.

Boston July 22^d. 1760

M^r. Hartly

Whereas the Sloop Ann Thomas Morton Mast^r. has Stoptd at Rainsfords with the Small Pox on board you are to there to detain S^d. Sloop untill further Orders & take the Person that is on board Sick on Shore, as soon as he is in Circumstances of being removed, you must also take everything on Shore that is likely to retain the Infection, you must also Smoke & Cleanse the Vessell and make report to us as soon as may be.

[132.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 23^d.

1760—Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. Austin Complained to the Selectmen that the Lower part of Cambridge Street that Leads up to Beacon Hill is verry much damaged & so much Gullyd by the great run of Water from Beacon Hill, that it was become Impassable, therefore Voted that Mess^{rs}. Austin & Scollay be a Committee to take Care that it be so repaired as to make a good & Sufficient High Way.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26th. 1760—Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Scollay Austin & Oliver.

M^r. Jonathan Williams made Complaint to the Selectmen, that M^r. Hartly the Keeper of the Hospital, refused to take the Person who is Sick with the Small Pox on board Cap^t. Mortons Vessell on Shore, He Suggested that he had a Number of men on the Island moving & making Hay who never had the distemper & that he detained the man on board untill the Work was Completed—upon which it was Voted to write M^r. Hartly upon this head, accordingly the following Letter was Sent Him.

Boston July 26th. 1760.

M^r. Hartly

S^r. The Owner of the Sloop Ann Tho^s. Morton has been with the Selectmen & Complains that you refuse to take the Sick Person on Shore, notwithstanding he has been in Circumstances to be removed ever Since the Vessell arrived at the Island, it is Suggested that you have a Number of Laborers on Shore who never had the Small Pox [133.] And that for your own Convenience & Interest you detain the man on board, till your Work is done. if that is the Case you Certainly use the Owner & freighters of the Sloop verry Ill, & are Answerable for all damages that may Insue to the Vessell & Cargo for this detention—It is our Orders that you remove the Sick Person & dismiss the Vessell as soon as you can Consistant with the Health of the Sick and the Safety of the Town.

JOSHUA HENSHAW	}	Selectmen.
JOSEPH JACKSON		
THO ^s . CUSHING		
SAM ^l . HEWES		
JOHN SCOLLAY		
BENJ ^l . AUSTIN		

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 28th. 1760—Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay Austin.

M^r. Thomas Read applyd for two men to Compleat the Number of the men belonging to his Engine.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30th. 1760—Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

M^r. Hartly reported, that he had taken from on board the Sloop Ann Thomas Morton Master which is now at Rainsfords Island, Jonathan Buck of Situate the man who has been Sick with the Small Pox on board S^d. Vessell that He has Sufficiently Cleansed & S.nokd S^d. Sloop.

On which the Selectmen wrote the Lieut. Governour a Letter Signifying the above & that the Vessell might come to Town without Indangering the Inhabitants.

[134.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 30th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/4 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Nath^l. Chevereux Master of the Sloop Love reports that He Sailed from Philadelphia the 20th. Instant that he Arrivd this day at the Castle where he was Stopd that his Cargo Consists of Flour & Iron that his men are all well on board, that he has nothing on board Liable to any Infection — Voted that he have Liberty to Come to Town with his Vessell.

John Gibbs Master of the Sloop Tryall reports that he Saild from Philadelphia about fourteen days ago, that he Arrivd this day at the Castle where he was Stopd, that his Cargo Consists of Flour & Iron, that he has nothing on board his Vessell liable to Infection, that his men are all well — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 1st. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Cap^t. John Waterman Master of the Sloop Deborah Reports that he Saild from Philadelphia in the S^d. Sloop about Fourteen days past arrivd this day at Castle William was there Stopd, that his Cargo Consists of Flour & Iron, that he has nothing on board liable to retain any Infection, that all his People are well & in Health — Voted that He come to Town with his Vessell.

[135.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 4th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay, Austin & Oliver.

Voted that the Selectmen wait upon his Excellency Gov^r. Barnerd to-morrow morning, to Congratulate him upon his Safe arrival to this Government & that the following Address be presented him upon this Occasion.

To his Excellency Francis Barnerd Esq^r. Captain Gen^l. Governour & Commander in Chief in and over His Majestys Province of the Massachusetts Bay In New England, & Vice Admiral of the Same.

The Address of the Selectmen of the Town of Boston May it Please your Excellcy —

The Selectmen of the Town of Boston take this Oppertunity, with great respect to Congratulate your safe & Happy Arrival at the Capital of a Province which the Wisdom of our Sovereign has Committed to your Care.

The Appointment of a Gentleman of your Acknowledged Accomplishments to this Important Trust, must afford the greatest Satisfaction to all who have the prosperity of this Province at Heart, & we Cannot but entertain the pleasing hopes that the Happy Effects of your Administration of Government of which one of the British Colonies has already had experience will be Enjoyd by this —

[136.] Permitt us then to Express our Sincere Joy on this Occasion, and to assure your Excellency of our Zealous Endeavours, as far as our Influence Extends to promote the Success your Publick Services, and a Just Confidence in your Government.

While with great Submission to your Excellency we Commend the rights & Priviledges, the Trade and Commerce & every Interest of this Metropolis to your protection and favour we have a firm perswasion that its Inhabitants will be ever ready to Exhibit all proper Testimonies of Loyalty to His Majesty as well as duty & Effecttion to your Excellency. —

In the Name & by Order of the Selectmen
of the Town of Boston

Ez^t. GOLDTHWAIT Town Clerk —

Tuesday Morning August 5th. 1760.

This Morning the Selectmen waited on His Excellency Governour Barnerd & presented the foregoing Address to which his Excellency was pleased to make the following Answer :

Gentlemen

The affectionate Terms of this Address deserve my warmest Acknowledgements I can assure you that my highest Ambition is to answer the Expectations you have Concieved of me —

The Known & Experienced Loyalty of the Town of Boston Leaves me no room to doubt, but that you will Support his Majesty's Government under [137.] My Administration, whilst I use the power with which I am Intrusted for the good of the People, over whome I am placed. For this purpose it has been granted to me, & for this I hope I shall always Exert it. —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 6th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Scollay, Austin & Oliver.

M^r. Nath^l. Brown Master of Engine No. 2 Applyd to the Selectmen to have a man Added to the List of his men for an Ax man & proposed Daniel Lilly belonging to Cap^t. Jenkins's Company — Voted that he be Added to the List.

Benjamin Salisburys Petition was read praying for Liberty to build a Workhouse of Wood upon his own Land as no good foundation can be obtained for a Brick Building without verry great Expence.

The Selectmen accordingly viewd the premisses & as they are of the Opinion He can't obtain a good Foundation for a Brick Building without great Expence — Voted that he have liberty to build with Wood a Workhouse provided he Covers the Sides of the Said Workhouse with Plaister or Slates & the Roof with Slate or File Agreeable to Law.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 13th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing Hewes Austin.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 P bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

[138.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 15th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson, Cushing, & Austin.

M^r. Thomas Hartly reported to the Selectmen that Jon^a. Buck the Person taken on Shore at the Hospital at Rainsfords Island with the Small Pox, was well of Said distemper & Sufficiently Cleaned & might come to Town without any danger to the Inhabitants of the Town—

Voted, that he have Liberty to come up to Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 25th. 1760.— Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 27th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin & Oliver.

Boston ss At a Meeting of the Selectmen Aug^t. 2^d. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Thomas Hartly Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island reports to the Selectmen that the Selectmen of the Town of Gloucester have Sent to Rainsfords Island the Schooner Jolly Robin Cap^t. Doliver late Master from S^t. Martins on Suspicion of having the Small Pox on board, that the late Master of S^d. Vessell died on his passage from S^t. Martins of S^d. distemper Sixteen days ago that there is four men on board Liable to have Said distemper that the Vessell has on board for Cargo Six Bags of Cotton Wool & Salt S^d. Hartly desires the Selectmens [130.] Orders respecting Said Vessell — Upon which the following directions wer given to M^r. Hartly.

Boston Sep^t. 2^d. 1760.

M^r. Hartly

The Schooner Jolly Robin Paul Doliver Late Master from S^t. Martins being Sent to Rainsfords Island on Suspicion of having the Small Pox on board, you are hereby directed to take on Shore all the goods now on board Said Vessell liable to retain the Infection, you must Smoke & Sufficiently Cleanse Said Vessell, & take all the men on who have not yet had the distemper & report of your doings as soon as may be.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 3^d. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes & Scollay.

The Committee Apointed July 23^d. to Repair Cambridge Street Inform the Selectmen, that it is quite Necessary that a Broad paved Gutter be Layd down, in Order to Secure Said Street from being gullyed, the Gutter to go up some part of the Street Leading to Beacon Hill as well as in Cambridge Street. Voted that a Gutter be Layd down According to their best discreation.

M^r. Nath^l. Brown Master of Engine N^o. 2 Applyd to the Selectmen for a man for his Engine to Supply the place of Joseph Balch who is gone out of the Province and at the Same time he proposed William Hill Baker to be the Man — Voted that Said William Hill be added to the Number of men for S^d. Engine.

[140.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^t. 5th. 1760. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing.

Mr. Hartly Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island reported to the Selectmen, that he had taken on Shore from on board the Schooner Jolly Robin, the People as also all the goods that were liable to retain the Infection that he has well Cleansed Aird & Smoakd the Vessell and that she may be permitted to go to Cape Ann without Endangering the Inhabitants as also the People who belong to Her.

Voted that the above Vessell be permitted to depart the Island, Mr. Hartly recived Orders from the Selectmen Accordingly.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 10^a. 1760. Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5 / 8 P bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Cap^t. Cussens Applyd for Liberty to open the Street Oposite the House of Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq^r. in order to repair a Drain — Voted that he have Liberty on repairing the Pavement again.

Cap^t. Joseph Domitt applyd to the Selectmen by Petition Setting forth that he was about building a Barn & Store on his Wharf which was called Goodings Wharf at the North End of the Town & as it would be verry Chargable to get a foundation, He therefore proposes to build S^d. Barn & Store of Wood & Slate the Top provided that the Selectmen Approve of it —

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Cushing & Scollay View the Same & report.

[141.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 17^h. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Scollay & Austin only.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sept^r. 24th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson, Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Mr. Joshua Blanchard Informd the Selectmen that he has Applyd to his Neighbours in Dock Square to See what could be raisd among them to repair the Pump Standing in S^d. Square, He says that Provided the Town will Allow three pounds Six Shillings & Eight Pence Lawful Money for their part that he will Engage to put in a New Pump & repair Said Well.

— Voted that as the Town has a Considerable Estate Bordering on Dock Square, that Mr. Blanchard on his Effecting the above do have a draft on the Treasurer for three pounds Six Shillings & Eight pence.

Whereas there is to be on Friday next a publick rejoicing on Acco^t. of the Success of his Majesty's Troops in the Intire Reduction of Canada by their late Success against Monreal therefore Voted, that Faneuil Hall be Illuminated on Friday Evening & that Mr. Williston make Provision therefor —

This day a Committee of the Council desired Liberty of of the Selectmen for the use of Faneuil Hall for the Governor & Council to dine in on Friday next, at the Same time desired the Company of the Selectmen to dine with the Governor & Council at the Hall — Liberty Granted.

[142.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 24th.

1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Col^o. Henshaw & M^r. Austin are desired to Settle with Cap^t. Solomon Davis. concerning a Woman brought in a Vessell belonging to him from Louisbourg Commanded by Cap^t. Thomas Davis.

Paul Baxters Petition was read praying he might have Liberty to build a Coopers Shop or Workhouse of Wood upon his Land at the back of the Land where the Blue Anchor Tavern was (before the fire) near Olivers Dock, as no good foundation can be obtained for a Building of Brick without a verry great Expence — the Selectmen Accordingly viewd the Premisses & as they think it Impracticable to get a good foundation for a Brick Building without great Expence — Voted that he have Liberty to build with Wood provided he Conforms to the Law in that Case provided he Conforms to the Law in that Case provided.

Mess^{rs}. Cushing & Scollay a Committee Concerning Cap^t. Dommitts Petition report that they have Viewd the Promisses & give it as their Opinion that a foundation cant be obtained without great Expence — Voted that He have Liberty to build of Wood, agreeable to his Petition Provided he Conforms to the Law in that Case is provided.

[143.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Sep^r. 29th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Scollay & Austin.

M^r. Jonathan Williams Informs the Selectmen that the Small Pox has been so much abated in Philadelphia that but a verry few Persons have it, & those who have not had it, go freely about the City doing their Business and as it will soon be hazardous for Vessells Comeing from thence to be Stopped at the Castle without there is real Occasion for it therefore Prays that the prohibition may be taken off — Voted that Information be given to the Governor of the above.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 P bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 1. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw & Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 8th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing & Scollay.

M^r. William Moore distiller Informs the Selectmen that he has taken into his House as a boarder Sampson Tooly who came from London, Said Tooly being Pressant Says that his buisness is an Oilman, that he has brought Considerable with him & pleads to reside here if the Selectmen will give Liberty.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 14th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Scollay, Aus^tin, & Oliver.

Information being made to the Selectmen that Cap^t. [144.] George Frost has this day arrivd in a Sloop from the Bahama Islands & that Said Sloop has some Persons Sick on board with the yellow Fever — Voted that Doctor Whitworth be desired to go on

board S^d. Sloop and report the State there of at three o'Clock this afternoon.

Accordingly Doctor Whitworth reported that he had been on board Cap^t. Frosts Sloop that one man & no more is Sick, that he was first taken with a Feaver & Ague, which is now turned to a Common Intermitting Feaver, that the Vessell has been into Rhodeisland, that the Sick man was there under the Care of Doctor Hunter of that Place, that the Said Sick Person has not the yellow Fever, nor no other Person on board the Vessell and He gives it as his Opinion that Said Sloop may Come to the Wharff without any danger to the Inhabitants of the Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 15th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

It was moved at the Selectmens Board that an Answer may be wrote to M^r. Bollans Letter & after Consultation upon it, it was Voted that before any reply is made that M^r. Bollans Letter of the 12th. of July last be laid before the Committee appointed by the General Court relative to the Fire on the 20th. of March last. —

It having been represented to the Selectmen that the Clerks of some of the Companys of Militia have demanded of Some of the men belonging to the Engines, their Fines for not [145.] training — Voted that Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing and Scollay be a Committee to acquaint Col^l. Phillips with this affair, & desire that he would Cause all the Engine men to be Exempted from Military duty.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 20th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing, Hewes, Austin.

Whereas the Committee appointed by the General Court relative to the late Fire are to meet to morrow Evening — Voted that the Said Committee be desired to furnish the Selectmen with Such an Account relative to S^d. Fire as M^r. Agent Bollans prescribes, if practicable & if not Such an one as they Apprehend will best Answer the Purpose.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 22^d. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. John Spooner Applyd to the Selectmen for Liberty to Open a drain in Water street, Voted that he have liberty therefor, He Laying the Pavement down again in good Order.

M^r. Henshaw made report that agreeable to a Vote of the Selectmen the Committee of which he is a Member had requested of the General Court Committee relative to the late Fire to furnish the Selectmen with Such an Account as M^r. Bollan has requested in his Letter of the 12th. of July last, & that no Vote of Said Committee Could be obtained for the furnishing an Acco^t. — most of [146.] the Committee apprehending it was not their Business but that it belonged to the Towns Committee.

Voted that as no Account can be obtained of the Committee of the Court, that a Letter be Imediately wrote in answer to M^r. Bollans Letter. & that he be furnished from the Books of the Courts Committee with the best Account that they will Afford us

— Accordingly a Letter was wrote to M^r. Bollans & he was furnished in it with the Same Account that the Courts Committes have lately Supplyd the Comm^o. of Merchants in London — Vide the Letter &c. on File.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 27th. 1760— Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Voted that John Brown Master of the Engine N^o. 6 have an Order for a Premium for working his Engine the first at the Fire that hapned lately at M^r. Ivers's Sugar House at New Boston.

Voted that M^r. Williston Inform the Masters of the respective Engines to be here the next Wednesday & that then Enquiry be made whether they have their full Compliment of men it having been represented to the Selectmen that their Companys are not full.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Oct^r. 29th. 1760— Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Henshaw & Cushing be a Committee to wait upon Secretary Oliver with M^r. Bollans Letter of the 12th. of July last & desire Him to Communicate the [147.] Same as Soon as May be to the Governer & Council & take their Resolutions upon the Same with respect to the Proofs that M^r. Bollan advises to have taken before them.

The Masters of the respective Engines appeard before the Selectmen according to order & they all reported that they had their full Compliment of Men, Except Engine N^o. 6 the Master of which reported that he wanted one man to make up his Compliment — Whereupon He was desired with his Company to fix upon a Suteable Person & present him as soon as may be to the Selectmen for their Aprobation.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charges.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 5th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw, Jackson, Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Mess^{rs}. Henshaw & Cushing reported that agreeable to a Vote of the Selectmen of the 29th. of Oct^r. last, they had waited upon M^r. Secretary Oliver with M^r. Bollans Letter of the 12th. of July last & desired him to Communicate the Same as soon as possible to the Governer & Council & take their resolutions upon the Same, & Accordingly M^r. Secretary Communicated Said Letter to the Governer & Council the 31st. of October last & in Consequence of it they passed the following Vote — which Vote was delivered by M^r. Secretary Oliver to M^r. Henshaw.

[148.] In Council October 31st. 1760

Present his Excellency the Governer &c —

In as much as the General Court by their Vote of the 22^d. of March last Impowered the Selectmen & Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boston to receive the Moneys that might be Collected for the Sufferers by the late great Fire, & distribute the Same at their discreation and as two thousand pounds Sterling has been Collected in London, which was left at the disposal of the Governer & Council, and by them has been put into the hands of the

Said Gentlemen, & there is now advice of One thousand pounds more Collected in London for the purpose aforesaid at the disposal of the Governor & Council.

— Ordered that the Secretary draw for Said thousand pounds at Parr, and pay it into the hands of the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor of the Town of Boston to be distributed as aforesaid, and that the S^d. Gentlemen be desired to prepare Accounts of the Loss with proper Vouchers for each particuler, and of the Moneys received in Aid of the Sufferers, to be laid before the Governor and Council in Order to be Transmitted to England.

Coppy Exam^d.

ANDREW OLIVER SECR^y.—

M^r. Henshaw &c. further report that as this Vote respect^d. the Committee Apointed by the General Court relative to the late Fire, he had Communicated the Same to them & that they had taken it under Consideration & had Chosen a Committee to Consider what was proper [149.] to be done upon it and report to the Committee at their Adjournment.

Voted that M^r. Goldthwait Imediatly prepare a fair Coppy of the Alphabetical List of all the Persons that have been warned out of the Town, and returned to the Court of Sessions, many years past, in Order that the Overseers of the Poor may be furnished with the Same.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 24th. 1760
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Scollay & Austin.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Nov^r. 26th 1760.
Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

The high Sheriff Informed the Selectmen that there was in the Jail a French Prisoner who is not an Inhabitant of any town in the Province & that he is so Indisposed as that it is highly Necessary, that he should be removed to Some other place that may be proper — Accordingly an Order was Sent to M^r. Procter Keeper of the Alms House to receive him.

Signed JOSHUA HENSHAW

JOHN SCOLLAY

JOHN PHILLIPS Overseer of the Poor.

} Selectmen

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 p. bush^l. 4^d. all for Charges.

This day Gideon Smith Master of the Schooner Mayflower Informed the Selectmen that there is on board his Schooner [150.] Archelaus Harding belonging to the Town of Chatham who he Apprehends has got the Small Pox, on which D^r. Whitworth was desired to Vissit the man & report — Accordingly D^r. Whitworth reported to the Selectmen that He had Vissited the above Person & that he has the Small Pox — On which Cap^t. Smith was desired to proceed to Rainsfords Island with his Vessell and there deliver Said Harding to M^r. Hartly Keeper of the Hospital on Said Island, & the following Order was given to M^r. Hartly who was present.

Boston Novem^r. 28th. 1760.

M^r. Hartly

The Schooner May Flower has on board a man who has the Small

Pox, we have ordered S^d. Schooner to your Island, you are to take the man whose name is Archelaus Harding into the Hospital, & take all proper Care of him, Let the Vessell be Sufficiently Cleansed and then let her depart from the Island.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 3^d. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

M^r. Joseph Henshaw Informed the Selectmen that the Wharf head at the End of the Street that Leads from John Rowe Esq^r. his House in Essex Street to the Water Side is destroyed & is in Such a State, that the way will soon be Impassable without it is repaired — Voted that Mess^{rs}. [151.] Austin & Scollay be a Committee to View the Same and get it repaired in the best manner it can be done — Accordingly the Selectmen agreed with M^r. Robert Pierpont to Effect the Same.

M^r. John Grant Applyd for his Premium for Collecting the Taxes for the year One thousand Seven hundred & Fifty Eight, having produced the Several Treasurers Receipts — Voted that M^r. Grant have a draft for his Prem^o.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 5th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Whereas our Troops on their return & some of them are Arrived Sick of a Contagious distemper & we are in want of the Province Hospital which is now Occupied by the Overseers of the Poor of the Town for the use of the Neutral French.

Voted that the following Letter be wrote to the Overseers desiring they would Cause Said Hospital to be Cleard Imediatly.

Gentlemen

As our Troops are upon their return Home and some of them are Arrived, Vissited with a Contagious distemper we Stand in need of the Province Hospital and must desire you to Cause it to be Cleard Imediatly

Signed by — THE SELECTMEN.

[152.] Information was given to the Selectmen that Frederick Kelly was taken down with the Small Pox at the House of M^r. Glovers Shoemaker near to M^r. Hills Distill House — Voted that As the Weather is too Severe to move him to Rainsfords Island, that he be moved to the Hospital at the West of the Town, He was Accordingly Moved.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 10th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

John Shepherd Shoemaker Informd the Selectmen that a man Named Willaim Manning, had been for Some time as a Lodger at his House, that he came in Cap^t. Marshman from Lisbon, that he came to his House Sick, & was not able to proceed with Cap^t. Marshman on his Voyage & that he is now in Suffering Circumstances — Voted that he be sent to the Alms House on the Province Account.

Information was given to the Selectmen by M^r. Adams that Thomas Trahey & his Wife Inhabitants of the Town of Hull, who were some time Sent to that Town were returned again into this Town — Voted that M^r. Adams be ordered to apply to a proper Officer for a warrant & that they be Treated Agreeable to the Law in that Case.

John Bryant a Stranger in Suffering Circumstances Came from Newfound Land into Portsmouth in Cap^t. Purcell made Application to the Selectmen for Relief [153.] Gave an Order on M^r. Procter to receive Him into the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. at the Same time took his Note of hand to pay the Town Treasurer whatever Charge or Expense the Town of Boston may be at in order to his restoration to Health.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 15th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay Austin.

W^m. Dawes Applyd for Liberty to open a Drain in the Street Called distill House Square — Voted that He have Liberty, observing to put down the pavement &c. in good order.

Information was given to the Selectmen that a M^r. Stoneman a Soldier from the Camp was taken with the Small Pox at h^{is} House in Exchange Lane, — It was Accordingly ordered that S^t. Stoneman with his Wife & Child be removed to the Hospital at West Boston which was Accordingly done.

Lydia Hill from Billerica who was warned out of Town some time Since appeard & prayed that She might have Liberty to reside here, as She works for the Inhabitants of this Town Chiefly for a Support Upon Considering of this Application, and many Circumstances relating to Said Hill, Orderd that she depart the Town in a Week from this time & not be permitted to dwell here any Longer, and M^r. Adams is directed to take Care, that she depart Accordingly.

[154.] M^r. Hartly Applyd & reported to the Selectmen that Archelaus Harding who has for Some time been at the Hospital at Rainsfords Island Sick of the Small Pox is recovered from that distemper — Voted that he be permitted to depart the Island on M^r. Hartlys taking proper Care that He be well Cleansed & that what Cloaths he brings away with him be Sufficiently Aird, & that he take Said Hardings Obligation to pay him for what Expenche he has been at.

Sent to the Alms House on the Province Acco^t. John Tuttle a Provincial Soldier, who is removed from the Castle, his State of Health being Such as renders him Incapeable of helping himself for the Present —

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 29th. 1760 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

M^r. Samuel Adams one of the Collectors of Taxes, appeard & Proposed Andrew Oliver Jun^r. Esq^r. & M^r. Robert Pierpont as Sureties for Him — Voted that they be Accepted.

M^r. Jonathan Payson another of the Collectors of Taxes Proposed Jonathan Carey of Boston & John Greaton Inholder in Roxbury for his Sureties — Voted that they be Accepted.

[155.] M^r. John Grant one of the Collectors Appeard and proposed Samuel Grant Esq^r. & Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon for his Sureties — Voted that they be Accepted.

John Buddock Esq^r. another of the Collectors of Taxes appeard & proposed M^r. Nath^l. Greenwood & M^r. Caleb Parker for his Sureties — Voted that they be Accepted.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/8 p. bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Dec^r. 31th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin & Oliver William Sutton Master of Engine N^o. 7 reported last July two Ax Men for his Engine Viz^t. Tho^s. Balter & Stephen Winter — Voted that they be Added to his Number.

[156.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 7th. 1761 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

The Selectmen being Informed that William Torry Jun^r. who was a Lodger at M^r. John Gerrish's where the Small Pox has been for Some time had left M^r. Gerrishes and had took Lodgings at the Widdow Allens by D^r. Gibbons, & as it is not unlikely that Said Torry has taken the Infection & is liable to be taken down with that distemper, the Father of Said Torry was Sent for to Enquire how it was with his Son, M^r. Torry Informed the Selectmen that his Son was at M^{rs}. Allens & did Intend if he should be taken with the distemper to repair to M^r. Gerrish's again, & as it will be of great damage to the Town that the Small Pox should Continue at M^r. Gerrish's it being in the heart of the Town the Selectmen therefore Informed M^r. Torry that his Son must not be at M^r. Gerrish's if he should be taken with the Small Pox, neither must he Continue where he now is, but must get Lodgings in Some House in the Outskirts of the Town or be removed to the Hospital at West Boston.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 14th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin Oliver.

The Last Night between the Hours of 10 & 12 o'Clock Faneuil Hall was Consumed by Fire the Selectmen met at M^r. [157.] Robert Stones in King Street.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 15th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Whereas Faneuil Hall is Consumed & the Selectmen have no place to meet in to do the Business of the Town — Voted that the Selectmen return to their Former Chamber at the East end of the Town House but before we take possession of Said Chamber, M^r. Goldthwait be desired to attend, and write a few Lines to our Representatives desiring them to mention it to the Hon^{ble}. House, & M^r. Goldthwait was accordingly desired to do it in Consequence thereof he wrote the following Letter.

Gentlemen

The Selectmen Chamber in Faneuil Hall where they have Sat for about Seventeen years past to do the Business of the Town now Consumed by Fire & they having no place at Present for that purpose, desire you would be pleased to mention it to the Hon^{ble}. House and Inform them that the Selectmen are now under a Necessity of returning to their former Chamber at the East end of the Court House, but being Informed that it is sometime Improved by Committees of the Hon^{ble} Court they Chose to Let the Court Know it before they return to it—By Order of the Selectmen—
EZEK^l. GOLDTHWAIT Town Clerk.—

[158.] Accordingly our Representatives mentioned the above Matter to the Court & they Acquiesced in the Selectmen taking Possession of the Said Chamber, & the Assessors taking Possession of the Chamber at the East End.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 16th. 1761 — at the Chamber over the Council Chamber at the East end of the Town House—Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Hewes.

Voted that Application be made to the General Court for releif under the Great Loss the Town has Sustained by Faneuil Hall & the Shops on the North Side of the same being Consumed by Fire on the 13th. Instant.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 21st. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Scollay & Austin.

The House of Representatives being Apprehensive of some danger of some of their Members taking the Small Pox from our Meeting at our Chamber at the East end of the Court House, desire we Immediately would procure another Room & remove to the Same as soon as possible & passed the following Vote upon this Occasion.

[159.] In the House of Representatives January 21st. 1761.

In as much as the Selectmen of the Town, of Boston Sett to do Business in their Eastermost upper Chamber of the Court House and the Small Pox frequently breaking out, Necissitates those Persons in whose Houses it is at first discovered as well as many of the Physicians in the Town to Attend them this House Apprehend it unsafe for Such Persons to pass & repass the doors of this House — Therefore Voted that Said Selectmen be desired to remove their Office from Said Chamber & provide themselves with some other Suteable place at the Charge of the Government during the present Setting of this Court.

JAMES OTIS Speaker

Information was this day given to the Selectmen that a Negro Woman belonging to the Widdow Waterhouse was taken down with the Small Pox, Accordingly she was with the Consent of Her Mistress Sent to the Hospital at West Boston.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 26th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay Austin Met & Passed a Number of Accompts.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at $5/4$ μ bush^l. 4^d. All^d. for Charge.

[160.] On the 24th. Instant Information was given to the Selectmen by Doctor Sprague that the Wife of M^r. McFadden a Gardner Living in a House of Thomas Green Esq^r. at the South End was taken ill with the Small Pox, Accordingly M^r. Cushing with D^r. Sylvester Gardner went to the House to persuade the Family to Her being moved to the Doctors House in the Common, she was Accordingly moved the Same day.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen January the 28th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Voted that M^r. Williston take Care & have the Town Ladders are Carried to the Walls of Faneuil Hall & fix them there & See that the Potts & other Iron Ware are taken down from of the Walls.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen January the 29th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay & Austin.

Voted that M^r. Dawes Secure the Walls of Faneuil Hall from the Weather in the best manner he Can & anything Else that may be for the Preservation of S^d. Wall.

[161.] As M^r. Levitts Son who has had the Small Pox at M^r. Sam^l. Parkmans in Union Street is recovered from that distemper & is removed from thence to D^r. Gardiners Hospital, & M^r. Parkmans House has been Well Cleansed — Voted that the Red Flag be taken in, but that the Guard be Still Continued for Some days untill the further determination of the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r. 30th. 1760 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Scollay and Austin.

Deacon Tudor Informed the Selectmen that a Grand Child of his Son to M^r. Thompson who lives the next door to M^r. Gerrish's (near to the draw Bridge) where the Small Pox has been for some time, was Suspected to have that distemper, on which D^r. Gardner was desired to Vissitt the Child & report, Accordingly He reported to the Selectmen that that the Child had the Small Pox. On which the Father of the Child was Sent for who absolutely refused to have the Child Moved to any other place, than where the Child now is. On which he was Ordered to put out a Flag agreeable to the Law & that he must Shut up his House & Shop & not let them be Opened, nor to Let any Person either go in or Come out of his House Except the Doctor untill further Orders were given him from the Selectmen for that purpose, that the Selectmen will order a Guard to his house to see that their Orders were Complyd with they also gave M^r. Thompson Orders Comformable to the above.

[162.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 3^d 1761 Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. Barber Sent a Message by D^r. Gardner to the Selectmen In-forming them that his Child who has been Sick of the Small Pox is recoverd & that neither his Wife nor any of his other Children as yet Complain and he is in hopes they have not taken the Infection but as his Wife is verry uneasy least by her Continuance in the House she should receive the Infection. He therefore desires she may leave the House & go to the House of the Widow Stannys in the Neighbourhood that being a place (as she thinks) of Safety, & he promises the Selectmen that he will not see her until he has Leave from them in Case she should Complain she shall be removed back to his House again — D^r. Gardner Informed the Select men that she may be removed as above with Safety.

Boston Feb^r. 4th. 1761.

M^r. Nath^l. Barber

S^r. Doctor Gardner has Informed the Selectmen that M^r. Barber is very uneasy at being Confined to her House least she should take the Small Pox, as she is at present (as she Apprehends) free from that distemper she is desirous of removing to the Widow Stannys, the Doctor further says that if this desire is Complyd with, that you will Engage you will not See her without our Leave & that in Case she Complains & the Doctor is apprehensive that she is likely to be taken down with the distemper that she [163.] shall be Imediatly removed back to her own House wherefore upon Consideration of their Engagements and as Doctor Gardner is of Opinion she may be removed to the Widow Stannys with Safety to the Town, the Selectmen Consent to her removal to S^d. place & depend on your punctuality in fulfilling your Engagement.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 6th. 1761—Present Mes^{rs}. Henshaw Cushing Hewes Scollay & Austin.

This day the Selectmen received a Letter from M^r. Barber Setting forth that as it is not likely that his maid Named Girote has as yet taken the Small Pox & as it will be Chargeable to him to Keep her in his House she being of no Service, He desires she may be moved from thence. Doctor Gardner was Sent for by the Selectmen & Consulted on the above who reported that it was his Opinion that she had not as yet taken the Infection and advised that that she might be removed to Some House of Safety provided she might in Case of any Complaint be moved from thence to the Hospital Accordingly Mess^{rs}. Scollay & Austin had a Conference with the Relations of the above Girote who Concluded to take her to the House of the Widow Tucker near to the Sign of the Drum and promised that in Case of any Complaints from her they would Advise the Selectmen of it that she might be moved from thence to the Hospital.

[164.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 11th. 1761—Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Hewes Scollay & Austin.

Liberty was given to M^r. Parkman the 9th. Instant to Open his Shop & that he may have Access to his House and the Guard which has been upon the House was Ordered off the House by the Opinion of Doctor Gardner being quite Clear of the Infection.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. the 12th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Doctor Gardner Certified to the Selectmen that Mess^{rs}. Gerrish & Thompsons Houses were throughly Cleansed of the Infection of the Small Pox Accordingly the Flag was Ordered to be taken down & the Guard dismissed.

This day the Selectmen received a letter from M^r. Barber desiring that his Child being quite well & his House Sufficiently Cleansed & Aird; and that there is no likelyhood of any of his other Children being taken down with the Small Pox, that his Child who has had that distemper, may be permitted to go abroad—

On a Conference with Doctor Gardner he gave it as his Opinion that M^r. Barber might, (as his House & everything in it is Aird) be permitted to go abroad [165.] and that the Nurse be in a Short time dismissed Accordingly the Selectmen wrote M^r. Barber the following letter.

Boston Feb^r. 12th. 1761

M^r. Barber

We have received yours or the 11th. Instant and have Consulted the Doctor upon the Contents & as its his Opinion you may go abroad with Safety to the Town as alsoe that the Nurse may be dismissed next Tuesday, we have agreed to give Liberty therefor provided you both have a fresh Shift of Cloaths. We Shall depend upon your honors in taking all Needful Care upon this Occasion.

Signed by the Selectmen.

Information was this day given to the Selectmen that a Child of M^r. Nath^l. Ridgway Taylor near to Clarks Wharf was taken down with the Small Pox Accordingly the Child was moved to Doctor Gardners Hospital in the Common at the Charge of the Town.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen February the 18th. 1761—

Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Hewes Scollay Austin.

M^r. John Tylestone Usher of the North Writing School Attended & Informed the Selectmen that M^r. Zach^a. Hicks Master of Said School Intended to resigne that [166.] Employment in a few days, He therefor desired that as He has been Usher of Said School for Several years and he hopes has behaved to the Acception of the Town therefore desires he may Succeed M^r. Hicks as Master of Said School when He shall Leave it.

Voted that M^r. Austin & M^r. Cushing be a Committee to Advise with M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher respecting the Laws now in force relative to Sickness the Small Pox or any other Pestilential distemper, and Examine where in they are deficient & whether it is Necessary that the Selectmen have any further power to prevent Such Sickness or distemper from Spreading, & in Such Case that they desire M^r. Thacher to draw a Bill for that purpose.

Information was this day given to the Selectmen by Doctor Kast that Ebenezer Eaton a Journey man to M^r. Jennings the Hatter was taken down with the Small Pox at S^d. Jennings's, He was Accordingly moved to Doctor Gardners Hospital in the Common.

Information was this day given that one Cook at the House of Benj^r. Russell near Sudbury Street was taken with the Small Pox, He was Imediatly moved to the Province Hospital at West Boston allso one of the French Neutrals Francis Robeshaw at the Work House was taken with the Small Pox on the 23^d. Instant He was moved to Doctor Gardners Hospital.

[167.] Information was this day given to the Selectmen that a Negro man belonging to James Barrack, allso one M^r. Harrow Wife to M^r. Harrow at New Boston were taken with the Small Pox who were removed to to the Hospital the former to the Province Hospital the latter to Doctor Gardners Hospital in the Common.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Feb^r. 26th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Examind & passed a Number of Acco^{ts}. as P^r. draft Book.

Assise of Bread Set as Wheat at 5/4 P bush^l. 4^d. all^d. for Charge.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March the 3^d. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin. Examined a Number of Acco^{ts}. for finishing the draft.

Boston ss. At a meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. 4th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Henshaw Jackson Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin.

Voted that the Town Clerk issue a Warrant for a Town Meeting for the Choice of Town Officers &c on Monday the Ninth [168.] Instant at the Town House at Nine o'Clock in the Forenoon.

On Saturday Last being the 28th. of February M^r. Lifes Daughter the Selectmen were Informed was taken Sick with the Small Pox at a House in Marlborough Street near to the Sign of the Lamb, the Person Sick refused to be moved to the Hospital, upon which it was ordered that the House where the Sick Person was should be Shut up & a Guard was placed at the doors to prevent any Persons going in or out of Said House, Except Such as have Liberty therefor from the Selectmen.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March the 9th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay Austin.

M^r. Henry Quincy Informd the Selectmen that his Wife was taken Ill with the Small Pox and that she was in Such Circumstances as that she could not be removd with Safety upon which he was directed to Shut up his House & his Shop & to hang out a Pole with a red Cloth agreeable to the direction of the Law, and a Guard was ordered to be placed at his House to prevent any Person going in or Coming out without Leave obtaind of the Selectmen.

[169.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen Ma^r. the 10th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin and Sewall.

Voted that M^r. Cushing be Moderator or Chairman of the Selectmen for the Ensuing year.

Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 11th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Cushing Hewes Scollay Austin Sewall.

Doctor Joseph Gardner reports Viz.

That Stonemans Bed may be brought away from Doctor Gardners Hospital.

That Harrow & Wife may go as soon as Shifted to their Homes also Ridgway & Child & Robeshaws Nane on being first Shifted.

That M^r. Waterhouses Negroe & M^r. Boxs Negroe may Leave Hospital they being first Shifted.

That M^r. Wheats Child may be removed from his house to D^r. Gardners Hospital with Bedding Cloths &c.

M^r. Samuel Proctors Province Acco^t. Amounting to £153 7. 8 was passed upon.

M^r. Sam^l. Procter's particuler Acco^t. with the Province passed upon.

[170.] Boston ss. At a Meeting of the Selectmen March the 16th. 1761 — Present Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin Sewall Savage Lewis.

Information was given by Doctor Gardner that a Woman at the Widdow Leverets in Cornhill was broke out with the Small Pox & that he had prevaild upon her to be removed to the Hospital which she Consented to.

Voted that M^r. Willeston prepare for her removal at three o'Clock this afternoon.

[End of Volume 10 of the Minutes. — W.H.W.]

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES.

BOOK ELEVENTH.

[NOTE. — This book is numbered pp. 1-86 and then the pagination begins again with p. 1. See p. 183 of the text. — W. H. W.]

[1.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 11th. 1761

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

Samuel Hewes Esq^r.

John Scollay Esq^r.

Samuel Austin Esq^r

M^r. Samuel Sewall

The Selectmen examined and passed the Account of the Town of Boston with the Province for supporting Sundry persons at the Alms-House as p Acco^t. of Samuel Procter amounting to £153-7-8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 18 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

Samuel Hewes Esq^r.

John Scollay Esq^r.

Samuel Austin Esq^r

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Samuel Ph. Savage

M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and Rateable at Twenty Pounds [2.] Estate, to a single Rate, beside the Poll, to Convene at the Town House on Monday the Twenty-third Day of March Current, at Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to consider of the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants, praying that a suitable Person may be chosen Master of the North Writing School in the room of M^r. Zechariah Hicks who has desired to resign: also of the Petition of M^r. John Vinal Usher of the South Writing School and M^r. John Tilestone Usher of the North Writing School, severally praying that they may be appointed to succeed M^r. Hicks as master of said School; and to act upon such other matters as may properly come before said Meeting.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Fowle and Draper shall print the Notifications for the Meeting which is to convene 23^d. Instant.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 19 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r
John Scollay Esq^r.
Samuel Austin Esq^r.
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. Phi. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

The following Draft of a Letter was agreed upon,
To the Hon^{ble}. Jacob Wendell Esq. and other his Majestys Justices,

[3.] Gentlemen,

By a late Vote of the Inhabitants of the Inhabitants (*sic*) of the Town, we are desired to take such steps as the Law directs for widening the Street between Faneuill Hall Market, and mess^{rs}. Bromfield Waterhouse & Gibbs Stores; and whereas by Law when any total depolotion happens in any Street or Lane, the Justices of said Town together with the Select men, shall have power to lay out widen or enlarge such Streets or Passage as may be most for the convenieney and accommodation of the place. We have therefore to request of your Honors a Meeting for this purpose as soon as may be.

A Letter from the Selectmen of Hingham relating one Joseph Brow a Neutral was read, and the following was a reply,
Gentlemen

We have considered of your Letter of March 17th. relating one Joseph Brow Sen^r. a Neutral, and can by no means consent to any allowance for the charge of supporting him at Weymouth, for we have one Peter Doucet a Neutral, order'd for your Town, and are ready to make the exchange, as directed by a Committee of the General Court appointed for that business, whenever you shall think proper

Your Humble Servants

The Selectmen.

[4.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 25, 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.
Samuel Hews Esq^r.
John Scollay Esq
Samuel Austin Esq^r.
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. Phil. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Hews & Scollay be a Committee to provide as many Ladders as with those already provided shall make up the number of Ladders for the Town Stock to Sixty, it being agreeable to a Vote of the Town at their late Adjournment.

M^r. Sutton having acquainted the Select men that that part of

the Burying Ground Wall, which runs on the back of his house, was fallen down — M^r. Williston was directed in consequence of this information to acquaint the Proprietors of Tombs on that side of the Burying Place, that they are desired to repair the same as soon as may be.

M^r. Joseph Putman Master of Engine N^o. 4, apply'd for his premium for first playing with his Engine at the late Fire near the Dock.

Voted, that he have a draft for his premium next Draft Day.

M^r. Scollay was desired to order Gravel to be laid upon such parts of the Neck as might require the same.

[5.] Agreeable to an Order of the Town at their late Annual Meeting, the following draft of a Petition to the General Court was Voted to be preferred, Viz.

Province of the Massachusetts Bay

To His Excellency Francis Barnard Esq. Captain General & Governor in Chief in & over his Majesty's Province aforesaid. The Hon^{ble}. his Majestys Council, & the Hon^{ble}. House of Representatives in Gen^l. Court assembled, at Boston 28th. Day of March 1761.

The Memorial of the Selectmen of the Town of Boston by Order of the Inhabitants of said Town at their Meeting the 23^d. of March Instantem Humbly sheweth,

That in the Providence of God Faneuil Hall and the market under the same having been consumed by fire some months since, the Inhabitants of Boston labour under great inconyeniency in want of a suitable place for transacting the publick business of said Town; and they find it necessary speedily to rebuild and repair the said Hall, not only to accomodate themselves as soon as may be, but also that they may not loose the benefit of the Walls yet standing. Ways and means for effecting this so much needed & necessary work have been considered of; but in their present distressed and difficult circumstances under repeated losses by fire & other ways, none appear so likely to Succeed as the raising [6.] Money therefor by a lottery especially as many Gentlemen are disposed to encourage the same. We therefore by order of said Inhabitants, lay the case before your Excellency and Honors, and pray that you would by an act empower some suitable persons to raise the sum of £————— for that purpose by lottery, which sum by an estimate made will be necessary to rebuild said Hall, or that your Excellency & Honors would grant the Town such relief as you in your great wisdom shall see meet, and your petitioners shall as in duty bound ever pray &c.

T. C.

Selectmen of Boston

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 30th. 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r
 Samuel Hews Esq^r.
 John Scollay Esq^r.
 Benj^a Austin Esq^r.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. John Grant one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1759 having produced receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

[7.] Joshua Henshaw Esq, having apply'd for the Privilege of pasturing his Horses & Cow in the South Burying Ground at the bottom of the Common.

Voted, that the privilege desired be granted him for the present year he paying therefor to the Town Treasurer £ ——— p. annum the Rent to commence ———

The Committee appointed to view Cap^t. Houghes new Building, Reported, That in their opinion no foundation could have been obtained for said Building without very great expence, whereupon Voted, That it is the Judgment of the Selectmen that he may go on with the same, provided he conforms to the law in making a pitch'd Roof that is answerable to a Stud of seven feet, and Slates and rough casts the Building.

Voted, that M^r. Scollay be desired to order needful repairs to the Walls on both sides Boston Neck.

Cap^t. Hews & M^r. Lewis a Committee to order & direct as to the repaving and mending the Streets in Corn Hill and the Streets near Dr. Sewalls and M^r. Demmings Houses.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 6, 1761 ———

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

Samuel Hews Esq^r.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq^r.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[8.] A Letter of M^r. Henry Quineys directed to the Selectmen, praying that he may be permitted to open his Shop — which also inclosed the Doctors Certificate that he might do it with safety to the health of Inhabitants — was read and considered, where upon — Voted, that m^r. Quincy have liberty to open his Shop next Wednesday.

Robert Lesley (a sick Man) was sent to the Almshouse this Day at the charge of the Province, by the Select men, he being a Stranger and not an Inhabitant of any Town in this Province and unable to support himself.

Voted, that M^r. Thomas Williston have liberty to dig Graves &c. with Bond and Roulston in the Common and Church Burying Ground.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 15, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

Samuel Hews Esq^r.

John Scollay Esq^r.

Benj^r. Austin Esq^r.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Chopin Sampson Master of the Sloop Betsy from Hallifax, having brought as a Passenger one Mary Richards, being ordered to attend the Selectmen, appeard; when he agreed & promised that in case she became a charge to the Town he would be answerable [9.] for the same, and also engaged in that case to see her returned to Hallifax again.

M^r. John Vinal Usher of the South Writing School having apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to open a private School in this Town for the teaching of Writing & Arithmetick, out of School Hours.

Voted, that liberty be granted him accordingly.

Ordered that M^r. Ranstead have a draft on the Treasury for £. 1. 13. 4, being the sum allowed him out of the Moneys he has paid into the Town Treasury in Years past, it being for his extraordinary care and trouble with the Bulls till a new Cowkeeper was chosen.

On Wednesday the 2^d. of this Ins^r. April The Selectmen in Body visited the North Writing School, and introduced M^r. John Tileston as Master of that School. Their Chairman M^r. Cushing in the Name of the whole, inculcated upon the new Master, not only the common and more ordinary dutys of a good Schoolmaster, but also recommended to him such a conduct and behaviour, as the peculiar Circumstances of his School more especially demanded, and having expressed their hopes that the Just expectation of the Town from his appointment would be answer'd. The Chairman then addressed the Scholars, exhorting them to behave with all duty and [10.] Respect to their new Master — to improve with diligence and cheerfulness, the happy advantages they were under for gaining usefull knowledge; and above all to avoid and shun those Vices and follys which the Youth of the present Day are too prone to indulge themselves in, and to cultivate and practese those Virtues, upon which not only their own happiness, but the future prosperity of the Community so greatly depended.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and four pence p. Bushel for Wheat and Four pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

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Of Penny White Loaf	0 -	8 -	2
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Household	6 -	8 -	10
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	9 -	2 -	4
Household	12 -	13	
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1 -	14 -	8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 27. 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

[11.]

Samuel Hews Esq^r.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Cap^t. James Cunningham Master of the Engine kept at the South End, informed that the Engine under his care was first brought to work at the Fire that broke out at m^r. Gridleys House, and desired that the Premium of Thirteen Shillings and four Pence granted by the Town may be allowed them.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer for the same accordingly.

M^r. Samuel Whitwell applyd for liberty to remove his Sign Post from the House he now lives in, to the House he has lately built in Cornhill Street.

Voted, that he have liberty therefor.

Joseph Goldthwait Esq. apply'd to the Selectmen praying that he may be appointed as Undertaker for the sweeping of Chimneys in this Town, upon the Conditions it had formerly been granted him.

Voted, That M^r. Goldthwait be and hereby is appointed as Undertaker for the sweeping of Chimneys, provided that he employs in that Business a sufficient number of hands well acquainted with the Art of Sweeping, and also gives Bond as usual.

[12.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 29. 1763 (*sic*)

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Austin Esq.

M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Abijah Adams was directed to provide a Cart for the Transportation of Joseph Leneau Family and Furniture to the Town of Dorchester, and the following was wrote the Select men of said Town.

We now send you Joseph Leneau one of the French People, he was Assigned to the Town of Dorchester sometime since by the General Court; we should have sent him before, but as you have already been informed he has been so ill as not to be capable of traveling. We have been at considerable expence for his support and relief during his sickness of which we shall transmit you an Account, and doubt not it will be honourably discharged; this Persons Wife and two Children its probable will accompany him; in case she or they should become chargeable to the Town, you'll let us know it, and we will either permit them to return, or will defrey what expence you may be at upon their Account

Your hum. servants

The Selectmen

[13.] M^r. John Tileston Master of the North Writing School appeared an^d. informed, that said School was so numerous that it

was impossible proper care should be taken of the Scholars without further help, and therefore pray'd that an Assistant might be provided for him; and having recommended James Carter Apprentice to M^r. Procter, as a suitable Person for an Assistant.

Voted, that M^r. Tileston be directed to engage said Carter as an assistant, upon terms that shall be approved of by the Select men.

Liberty is hereby granted to the Widow Blanchard to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in Atkinson Street to repair her Drain; Upon Condition that he forthwith make good the Ground and Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

There being but two Bulls on the Common instead of three, which number the Town are by Law obliged to keep.

Voted, that M^r. Cushing be desired to purchase another as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 7. 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq^r.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

m^r. Samuel Sewall

m^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

[14.] Liberty is hereby granted M^r. Joseph Russell to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in Milk Street, provided he forthwith make good the Ground & Pavements to the Satisfaction of the Select men.

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston (within their Precincts) that have an estate of forty shillings p. annum in Freehold in Land within this Province and Territory at the least, or other Estate to the value of Forty Pounds Sterling, to Convene at the Town House, on Tuesday the Twelfth of May Current at 9 o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to Elect and Depute, one or more Persons (being Freeholders and Resident in the Town) according to the number set and limited by an Act of the General Assembly to serve for and represent them in the Great and General Court or assembly, Appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majestys service in the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the twenty seventh Day of said May, and so De Die in Diem, during their Session & Sessions, according to a Precept under the hand and seal of Stephen Greanleaf Esq. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk bearing date the 23^d. [15.] Day of April in the First Year of his Majestys Reign Annoque Domini, 1761

And alike requiring them to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town, qualified as the Law directs to Meet at the same time and place to Consider of the Petition of sundry Inhabitants for Paving part of Purchase Street; To know whether the Town will take any measures for the Repairs of Faneuil Hall in consequence of the Lottery granted by the General Court at

their last Session for that purpose; To consider whether anything further may be done to preserve the Town from the danger it is exposed to, by Chimnies frequently taking Fire; To receive the Reports of the Towns Committees on several Affairs. To choose an Overseer of the Poor, and a Warden in the room of Thomas Flucker Esq. lately removed to the Town of Charlestown, as also such other Officers as may be wanting; And to Act upon all such Matters and Things as stand referred over to said Meeting.

Voted, that the Rev^d. — be desired to open the Town Meeting on Tuesday the twelfth Instant with Prayer.

Voted that Mess^{rs}. Edes & Gill have the Printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting.

[16.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 13. 1761. M^r. Lovel having acquainted the Selectmen, that the Pump at his Yard was so greatly damaged, that he feared a new one would be found necessary; he was thereupon directed to apply to M^r. Reed the Block maker, to examine said Pump & if not fit for repairs, that a new one might be provided.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 20, 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hewes Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Sam. P. Savage

M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

Robert Williams whose House was consumed in the late Fire, informed the Selectmen, that he had rebuilt the and proposed to carry on the Retailing Business there as usual provided he was favoured with their approbation.

Voted, that he be accordingly approbated.

M^r. Lesly (or Lesley) a Blind Man at the Almshouse on y^e. Charge of the Province attended, and informed the Select men that he was desirous of returning to England from whence he came [17.] As a Soldier, and in order to this he was for getting sent to Philadelphia where he had some Friends, but wanted Money to pay for his passage there home, whereupon

Voted, that M^r. — be desired to direct his friend at Philadelphia to procure him a passage from thence, the amount of the Charge to be paid him here upon advice thereof.

Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin & Savage appointed a Committee to consider of some proper method for carrying into effect an Order of the Town relative to the filling up the Dock & to Report at the next Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Select men, May 23^d. 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq^r.

Samuel Hews Esq^r.

John Scollay Esq'.
 Benjamin Austin Esq'.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

The Selectmen having had Complaint made them of great disturbances committed for several Nights past, by a number of disorderly Persons, walking about in a riotous manner, breaking Windows &c. [16.] (*sic*) Voted that there be a number of Persons added to the Town Watch, and that the Captains of the several Fire Engines be directed to attend the Selectmen at 3 Clock this afternoon and that they be desired to furnish for a few Nights ensuing Fifteen men out of their respective Companys, or otherwise to assist the Watch in guarding the Town, and in their endeavours, to suppress those disorders It was further

Voted, that for their encouragement they shall be allowed Eight Dollars for each Man, they shall legally convict of being guilty of any such disorders, either by taking them in the fact, or procuring such evidence as shall be sufficient therefor.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 23^d. 1761 P.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq'.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

At the request of the Select men the followin Captains of the Engines attended, and agreable to their desire, engaged to furnish the Watch with fifteen Men out of their several Companys. Captains of Engines viz'

Brown
 Bently
 Brown
 Read
 Greenleaf
 Putnam
 Sutton
 Cunningham
 Barnard

[17.] (*sic*) Mess^{rs}. Greanleaf, Sutton and Putnam agreed to find five Men each and to walk the ensuing Nights, in order to suppress disorders.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 25, 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Cap^t. Thomas Read master of Engine N^o. 5, informed that the Engine under his care was first brought to work at the Fire that broke out at the Prison, and desired that the Premium of thirteen Shillings and four Pence granted by the Town may be allowed them.

Voted, that a draft be made on the Town Treasurer for the same accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 26, 1761.

Present

John Scollay Esq^r.
Benjamin Austin Esq^r.
Samuel Sewall Esq^r.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

[18.] John Ruddock Esq^r. one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1759 having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 3^d. 1761.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq^r.
Samuel Sewall
M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis
M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Cap^t. James Barnard of Engine N. 3. proposed Abraham Sutham as an Engine man in the room of Nath^l. Woodward deceased; who was approbated by the Select men accordingly.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Sewall Hews & Lewis be a Committee to confer with the Abutters on Bacon Hill relative to their digging of Gravel & Sand to the damage of said Hill — to Report as soon as may be.

Mess^{rs}. Savage and Sewall were desired to procure a passage for Elizabeth Gold to New York.

[19.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and four Pence p. Bushell for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

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Of Penny White Loaf	0	8	2
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Six penny Wheaten Loaf	4	9	2
Household	6	8	10

Twelve Penny Wheaten
Household
Four Penny Brick Loaf

9 - 2 - 4
12 - 13 -
1 - 14 - 8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 10th. 1763 (*sic*)

Present

Samuel Hews Esq^r.
John Scollay Esq^r.
Benjamin Austin Esq^r.
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

(Warrant for Town meeting minuted July 22^d.)

(marginal note)

[20.] Cap^t. Tyleston and M^r. Ruggles attended, and acquainted the Selectmen that they were ready to comply with the Vote of the Town and their Agreement with the Selectmen as to repairing of Faneuil Hall; upon which they were desired to provide the necessary Stuff and proceed in the work as fast as possible.

Agreeable to a Vote of the Town at their Meeting in March last relating the filling up the Town Dock; the Select men this Day agreed with m^r. Thomas Bayley to build the Head & make the Drain, and do the Carpenters work that may be necessary conforming to the directions he may from time to time receive from the Selectmen—to be paid—/p. Day for his work and to have a draft on the Town Treasurer for the amount thereof, when the same shall become due.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 19, 1763 (*sic*)

Present

John Scollay Esq^r.
Benjamin Austin Esq^r.
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Cap^t. James Kerkwood Master of Brigg^m. Sea Home from Lisbond, Reports this Day arrived here. [21.] From that place which he left 26^t. April; that while he lay there one of his Men was taken down with the Small Pox, who recovered before he left Lisbond, & that he took all possible care to cleanse his Vessell from any Infection; about four Days before his departure another of his Men was seized as he imagines with the same distemper, he was very delirious tho^t. little of the Pox appeared upon him. that about five Days after he sayled this Man died, after which his Cloathing Bedding and everything about him were thrown over board, and all proper care taken afterward, to prevent his Vessell being infected—that his Cargo consists of Salt in the hold, and some Lemmon between Decks, that his Hatches had been constantly opened between the Sterage—that where the Lemmons were stored there is two Bulk heads, so that he imagines no Infection can possibly be in his Vessell, or in any part of his Cargo. further that all the Mens Chests, and Cloaths had been aired.

Voted, that it is the opinion of the Selectmen that Cap^t. Kirkwood may unload his Vessel with safety to the Town.

At a Meeting of the Select men, June 24^t. 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hewes Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[22.] Voted, that the Selectmen visit the Publick Schools in this Town, on Wednesday the first Day of July next, and that the following Gentlemen be desired to accompany them therein, Viz.

His Excellency the Governor

His Honor the Lieut^t. Governor

The Hon^{ble}. John Osborne Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. Jacob Wendell Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Wells Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. Andrew Oliver Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. John Erving Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hubbard Esq^r.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hancock Esq^r

M^r. Speaker Otis

M^r. Treasurer Gray

M^r. Sheriff Greanleaf

The Gentlemen the Representatives of Boston

The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall DD.

The Rev^d. Charles Chancey DD.

The Rev^d. m^r. Pemberton

The Rev^d. Andrew Elliot

The Rev^d. Samuel Cooper

The Rev^d. Samuel Chickley

The Rev^d. Alexander Cummings

Richard Dana Esq^r.

Thomas Barker Esq^r. (Stranger)

John Ruddock Esq^r.

Joshua Henshaw Esq^r.

[23.]

Joseph Jackson Esq^r.

Ezek^l. Goldthwait Esq.

Andrew Oliver Esq.

Samuel Wentworth Esq.

Cap^t. William Taylor

Nathaniel Bethune Esq.

Joshua Winslow Esq.

Rev^d. m^r. Hooper

M^r. William Winter

D^r. Sprague

M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher

M^r. John Avery

M^r. John Box

M^r. James Perkins

Mr. Treasurer Jeffries
 Belcher Noyes Esq.
 Benjamin Pratt Esq.
 Cap^t. Benjamin Hammatt
 M^r. Alexander Hill

The Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor.

Ordered that M^r. Williston give seasonable notice to the several Gentlemen of this Appointment, and that they are desired to meet at the Town House at Nine Clock in the morning of said Day, and that he acquaint the several School masters therewith.

Voted, That there be a Dinner provided for the above Gentlemen on the Day for visiting the Schools.

[24.] M^r. Brown Captain of Engine N^o. 2. attended, and pray'd the Select men that upon account of his Bodily Infirmities an Assistant might be granted, and having proposed Job Hunt as a proper Person,

Voted that the said Job Hunt be & hereby is admitted as an Engine Man, in said Company.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 29. 1761 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

M^r. Jonathan Payson one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1759 having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax Committed to him to Collect for that Year,

Voted, That a Draft be made on the Town Treasury to pay him his 1/4 part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

D^r. Myles Whitworth attended, and Reports, — That there is under his care as Physician of the Poor at the Almshouse, two Persons viz^t. John Bennet an Inhabitant of Great Britain, & Thomas m^cDaniel an Inhabitant of Ireland, both of whom he looks upon as Incurables — also that Jeremiah Buxon [25.] A. Foreigner, in the Hospital at Rainsford Island is a Person Non Compos Mentis, and consequently a proper Subject for the Almshouse.

Mess^{rs}. Sewall and Lewis appointed a Committee to see that Anne Street and Fish Street be speedily repaved.

Ordered that our Clerk be directed to write the Town Clerk of Cape Ann for a Certificate from the Clerk of their Sessions that Samuel Pool and Family had been warned out of said Town in a Legal manner

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 14^t, 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scolley Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Sewall & Lewis a Committee to advise with M^r. Andrews the Carpenter, about repairing the Hospital at New Boston.

Ordered, that Mess^{rs}. Hews & Austin be desired to provide a passage in the first Vessell for England, for one Bennett an Incurable at the Alms house.

[26.] Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and Four Pence p Bushel for Wheat, and four pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

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Household	12	13	
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	14	8

Whereas by an Act of the General Court at their last Session, the Select men of Boston, have some new powers granted as to the Appointment and regulation of the Watch in said Town.

Voted, that for the present the following Persons be and hereby are Appointed the Town Watch — Viz^t.

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Williston
 John Roustead
 John Procter
 Thomas Bradford
 Joseph Gardner
 Thomas Thorp
 Charles Gilkey
 Isaac Peirce
 Isaac Townsend
 Jonas Clark
 George Haislup
 John Holbrook
 David Lenox
 Moses Barnes
 John Jenkins
 Abiah Holbrook

[27.]

The Selectmen have agreed to go with Thom^s. Goldthwait Esq. to Deer Island the next Week, there to examin, whether the Conditions of his Lease for said Island has been fulfilled by him.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 22^d. 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benj^e Austin Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

Cap^t. Cunningham Master of Engine N^o. 8. having informed the Selectmen, that he declined serving any longer in that capacity.

[28.] Voted, That David Wheeler be and hereby is Appointed Master of the Engine N. 8. in the room of Cap^t. James Cunningham who has resigned, and that his Orders are given him accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June last Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Free holders, and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified and rateable at Twenty Pounds, Estate to a single Rate, beside the Poll; to Convene at the Town House on Wednesday the 10th Day of June Curr^t. at 4 o'Clock in the Afternoon, then and there to consider whether they will be at the charge of increasing the number of Watchmen, and advancing their Wages, or enter into any other measures, for the better security of the Town; And to Act upon such other matters as may properly come before said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 22^d.

The Sealers of Wood attended by Order; and were reprimanded by the Selectmen, for not pursuing the several steps of the Law relative to Cord Wood, particularly as to the length of the Wood, and the Marking of the Wharfingers Carts; And upon the whole were directed to discharge their Duty in a better [29.] Manner for the future, which alone would prevent their being removed from that Office, and the Appointment of others in their room.

Cap^t. David Wheeler of Engine N. 8. kept at the South End of the Town, proposed, mess^{rs}. Aaron May, Robert Fairservice, William Wheeler and John Lovering as Engine Men in the room of four others who had resigned.

Voted, that the above named Persons, be admitted as Engine Men in said Company in the room of those which had resign'd.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 11, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

Liberty is hereby Granted Joshua Winslow Esq. to dig up the

Pavement and open the Ground near the Sign of y^e Lamb in order to repair a Drain, provided he forthwith make good the Ground & Pavement.

Liberty is hereby granted to Will. B. Townsend Esq. & others a Comm^o. of the Old Brick Church to dig up the Pavement & open the Ground, near Dr. Chancy's House, in order to repair their Drain; provided they forthwith make good the Ground and restore the Pavement.

[29 $\frac{1}{2}$.] Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and four Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

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Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	9	2
Houshold	6	8	10
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	9	2	4
Houshold	12	13	
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	14	8

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 12, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Sam. P. Savage

M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

The Overseers of the Poor having applied to the Selectmen, For liberty to break Ground near the Work house Gate, in order for emptyng a Valt — Liberty was accordingly Granted, provided they forth with made good the Ground.

Ordered, That the several Retailers within this Town be once more informed & Notified — That in case they should hence forward, sell or deliver Rum & other Spiritous Liquors to Negro & Moletta Servants, not bringing Certificates from their Masters, or shall allow Persons to sit tipling in their Houses; they may depend upon being dealt with according to the severity of the Law; And that proper Persons are appointed by the Selectmen to notice all offences against said Law. — It was further Ordered that printed Notifications of their resolutions should be sent to every Retailer.

Scipio a Free Negro who came Passenger in Cap^t. — from Philadelphia appeard, and offered to enter into Bonds for £.100 lawful Money as the Law directs; that he shall not become any

charge to the Town; He proposed Benjamin Kent Esq. as a Bondsman, and he was accordingly accepted by the Selectmen.

This Day the Select men agreeable to their Vote of July 14th went to Deer Island, in order to see whether m^r. Goldthwait had fulfilled the Conditions upon which said Island had been Leased to him; and having view'd the Premises found that m^r. Goldthwait had Rebuilt the House, and finished it ac- [30.] cording to Agreement, excepting the Chamber Floors, which he engaged should immediately be new laid as also to ceil the Chambers and secure the Sammers which support the lower Floors, by building Brick Pillars under the same, all which he promised should be done forthwith.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 15, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Mr. Abijah Adams was directed by the Selectmen to apply unto Hugh Hall Esq. for his Fine of Forty Shillings, he having admitted m^r. William Tayler into one of his Houses, without acquainting the Selectmen in due season.

Also to John Rowe Esq. for his Fine he having admitted Richard Sutton in like manner.

Also to Samuel Clough for his Fine, he having Admitted one Ann Barratt in like manner.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Abijah Adams, Thomas Williston & Francis Salmon be & hereby are appointed to notice [31.] Any Breakers of the Law, relative to driving Carriages on the Lords Days; and Carts Trucks &c. on other Days, and to prosecute for every such Offence — and that the Clerk Advertise in the Publick News Papers this Resolution of the Selectmen.

Voted, That Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin be a Com^{rs} to attend the tryal of the Cause now depending between the Town of Boston and Gillam Phillips Esq. relative to a Pasture at or near Fort Hill.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 18, 1761

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

The Selectmen having received the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants praying that a Town Meeting may be called as soon as may be, for reasons in said Petition set forth.

Ordered, That the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston,

[32.] In his Majesty's Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston, duly qualified and Rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single Rate, beside the Poll to Convene at the Town House on Monday the 24th Day of August Curr. at 8. o Clock in the Afternoon, then and there to receive the Report of a Committee Appointed to make Application to the General Court for Relief with respect to their proportion of the Publick Taxes, and to consider whether they will give them any further Instructions & Powers or otherwise determine what may be still necessary to be done relative to this matter; To consider of the Petition of a number of the Inhabitants, praying that the Town would give such Orders for the further filling up the Town Dock as they may judge necessary; Also a Petition of Joseph Bradford & Robert Williams, relative to a Fish House on said Dock; And to Act upon all such other Matters as may properly come before said Meeting.

Voted, that m^r. Savage be desired to get m^r. Leach to take a Survey of Land about the Dock, and to ascertain the bearings of the Land, with the Common Shore lately made in y^e Dock.

[33.] Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin & Savage a Committee to view the Fish House standing on the Town Land near the Dock and examin whether it will answer for a Watch House, and in case it will answer for that purpose, to get some Persons to appraise the same.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 19, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. Lazenby was desired by the Selectmen to let his People take the Dung now lying near the South School house, being deemed an Incumbrance, and spread the same on the Common.

M^r. Nathaniel Brown Master of Engine N. —. having acquainted the Selectmen, that by reason of Bodily disorders he must decline serving any longer in that capacity, and also recommended m^r. Gibbins Sharp as a suitable Person to supply his place.

Voted, that m^r. Gibbins Sharp be & hereby is appointed [34.] Master of Engine N —. in the room of Nathaniel Brown who has resigned; and that Orders be given him accordingly.

Voted, That the Town Clerk be directed to read the Minutes of the transactions of the Selectmen at their several Meetings in future, before said Meetings are up, that there may be no omission in the entrys of any thing that is proper matter of Record.

The Assessors were desired to furnish the Selectmen with a List of the Inhabitants of the Town in order for compleating of the Jury Box.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 20, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

M^r. Increase Blake, Sealer of Weights and Measures having resign'd that place on Account of Bodily disorders, The Selectmen together with the Constables of the Town met and proceeded to the choice of another Person for that Office [35.] By a Hand Vote when m^r. Increase Blake Jun^r. was chosen, and his Name returned to the Clerk of the Sessions.

The Selectmen on Wednesday the 1st. of July last Visited the Publick Schools in the Town, accompanied by the following Gentlemen, Viz^t.

His Excellency the Governor
 The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Wells Esq
 The Hon^{ble}. Andrew Oliver Esq
 The Hon^{ble}. James Bowdoin Esq
 The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hancock Esq
 The Hon^{ble}. James Otis Esq.
 The Representatives of the Town
 The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall DD.
 The Rev^d. Charles Chancey DD.
 The Rev^d. Ebenczer Pemberton
 The Rev^d. Andrew Elliot
 The Rev^d. Samuel Cooper
 The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley Jun^r.
 The Rev^d. Alexander Cummings
 The Gentlemen Overseers of the Poor
 Joshua Winslow Esq
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 Thomas Barker Esq. (a Stranger)
 Joshua Henshaw Esq
 Joseph Jackson Esq
 Ezekiel Goldthwait Esq
 Samuel Whentworth Esq
 Cap^t. William Taylor
 M^r. William Winter
 Dr. Sprague
 M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher
 Richard Dana Esq
 M^r. John Avery
 M^r. John Box
 M^r. James Perkins
 Rev^d. m^r. Hooper
 Belcher Noyes Esq
 Cap. Benjamin Hammatt
 M^r. Alexander Hill

[36.]

And found that in the North Grammar School, there was Fifty

seven (57) Scholars; at the North Writing School 157 Scholars, at the South Grammar School 117 Scholars, at the South Writing School 234 Scholars. At the Writing School in Queen Street 249 Scholars, all in very good order.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 25, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[37.] M^r. Blake a Fisherman apply'd to the Select men for liberty to set up a Fish House at the End of Summer Street near the Bull Tavern. Liberty was granted him accordingly, provided he pays one Dollar p. Annum to the Town as a consideration of said Privilege of a Fish Market.

Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and eight Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood — also Ordered that three Ounces be allowed on White Brick Bread, more than on the Loaf Bread, it appearing to us that there is that difference; which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	10
Wheaten	0	11	9
Houshold	0	15	7
Two Penny White Loaf	0	15	7
Wheaten	1	7	3
Houshold	1	14	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	5	8
Houshold	5	12	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	
Household	11	9	6
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	11	4

[38.] M^r. Benjamin Bagnal informed the Selectmen that his Son Benjamin was returned from Rhode Island, and purposed to make this Town the Place of his abode

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 2^a, 1761.

Present

Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

Mess^{rs}. Griffin & Daws and others, apply'd to the Selectmen for a Draft on the Treasury for £. 100 — lawful Mony, being the Sum Voted them by the Town at a late Meeting to enable to go on with the Paving of Purchase Street, as by the Town Vote more fully appears.

Ordered, that mess^{rs}. Griffin & Daws have a Draft for the sd.

Sum of One hundred Pounds, they having in the opinion of the Selectmen complied with the Conditions of said Grant.

M^r. Mary Simpson apply'd to the Selectmen for their approbation as an Innholder in the House where her late Brother William Cowell kept Tavern.

Voted, That the consideration thereof be referred to another Meeting.

[39.] M^r. Samuel Adams one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1759, having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasury to pay him his One Quarter part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, September 14, 1763 (sic).

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Sam P. Savage

M^r. Cushing is desired to repair the Rail Fence round the Common.

The Selectmen agreed. That the Water running from Dr. Noyes's and near m^r. Easneau's Door be so turned as to run under the new Watch House now building at the East End of the Town Shop improved by Thomas Hubbard Esq. there to have a Paved Gutter. and from the North end of which to pass under Ground into the Common Shore through a large Wooden Trunch.

Also that the Water running down Wing's Lane be continued [40.] To the Capstan of the Wharf so near the South East Corner of the Shop now improved by Mess^{rs}. Scott & Hill as to leave to said Shop a commodious Foot path, and from thence be conveyed under Ground into the Common Shore, by a large Wooden Trunk.

Also that the Water leading from Deacon Grants be continued to the Capstan of the Wharf at the South West Corner of the House now improved by m^r. Cobourn and from thence be conveyed under Ground to the Common Shore thro' a large Wooden Trunk; and that Mess^{rs}. Scollay, Austin & Savage (a Committee before Appointed for this Business) be desired to effect the same as soon as may be. Also Agreed, that the aforementioned Committee be desired to contract with some suitable Person or Persons to sink and Stone a Well as a Reservoir for Sea Water, to be used in case of Fire.

John Hicks admitted as a Watchman in the Town House Watch, during good behaviour.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen September 23^d. 1761. Passed upon M^r. Samuel Proctors Province Accounts.

Mr. Williston was directed, to desire the Scavengers to attend the Select men next Monday.

[41.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, September 28, 1761.

Present.

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. Lewis informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his Family one Frederick a French Palattine, who came last from Waltham where he had resided with one Woodburne a Tavern-keeper.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 30, 1761.

Present.

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Ordered, that the Assessors be acquainted that all such Persons as have built Houses in a manner contrary to an Act of this Province relative to the Erecting of Buildings &c. in the Town of Boston; should be taxed by them on Account thereof agreeable to a Law made and provided for that purpose.

Whereas agreeable to a late Vote of the Town a number [42.] Of Ladders are now provided for the use of the Inhabitants in case of Fire — Mess^{rs}. Cushing Sewall and Lewis are Appointed a Committee to determine on proper places for depositing the same.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, October 7, 1761:

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Samuel Hews Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Anstin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

On the 5. Instant the Selectmen endorsed a Warrant from the Governor and Council on Harrison Gray Esq. Treasurer for £151 ,, 6 ,, 8 in favor of M^r. David Jeffries Town Treasurer, being for the support of the Province Poor in the Almshouse from March 1. 1761 to October 1st. 1761.

M^r. Thomas Bentley Master of Engine N. 1. Attended and informed the Select men, that he could not serve the Town any longer in that capacity and recommended M^r. John Baker as a suitable Person to supply his place.

Voted, that M^r. John Baker be and hereby is appointed Master

of Engine N. 1. in the room of Cap^t. Thomas Bentley [43.] Who has resigned, and that his Orders be given him accordingly.

Cap^t. John Baker of Fire Engine N^o. 1. proposed Jonathan Lowe, Richard Green and Joshua Pico as Engine men in the room of three others who had resign'd.

Voted that the said Lowe Green & Pico be Admitted as Engine men in said Company in the room of those who had resign'd.

Jeremiah Green Esq. Commander of the South Battery attended, the Selectmen by their desire, when he acquainted them, that by virtue of an Order from the late Governor Sherley Dated June 13th. 1746. he had delivered the following Peices of Cannon, which belonged to the Town, July 7. 1746.

Viz^t.

1 Cannon N ^o . 6	- - - - -	10 Pounder
1 ditto	- - - 7	- - - - - 10 ditto
1 ditto	- - - 8	- - - - - 14 ditto
1 ditto	- - - 9	- - - - - 14 ditto
1 ditto	- - - 10	- - - - - 16 ditto
1 ditto	- - - 11	- - - - - 14 ditto

Also that by Order of our present Governor M^r. Bernard bearing date July 7. 1761. he had delivered Two Peices of Cannon being, 18 Pounders, whereupon,

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Hewes be a Committee to wait upon his Excellency Governor Bernard relative [44.] To the Cannon taken from the Town by vertue of his and Governor Shirleys Orders.

Cap^t. James Dean of Schooner Endeavor belonging to Casco Bay was sent for, and Bonds demanded of him to indemnifie the Town from any Charge that may arise on Account of Margaret Hominia, brought by him into this Town from Halifax.

The Sealers of Wood attended by Order, and were directed by the Selectmen to mark the several Carts improved by the Wharfingers in Carting Wood as follows, Viz^t

M ^r . Hatches	- - - - -	Carts	- - - - -	N ^o . 1
M ^r . Boyes	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	2
M ^r . Phillips's	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	3
M ^r . Moores	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	4
M ^r . Bradfords	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	5
M ^r . Rogers's	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	6
M ^r . Cochrans	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	7
M ^r . Richies	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	8
M ^r . Ballarls	- - - - -	ditto	- - - - -	9

The Wharfingers were also directed to have their several Carts measured, and the Measure so marked on their Carts as that every one may plainly discern the same. And the Sealers of Wood, were Ordered to see that those Directions were fully executed.

[45.] Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Six Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood— Also that three Ounces be allowed them on White Brick Bread more than on the White Loaf Bread; all which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

	l.	cs.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	5
Wheaten	0	11	-
Houshold	0	14	10
Two Penny White Loaf	0	14	10
Wheaten	1	6	-
Houshold	1	13	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	1	15
Houshold	5	6	15
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	3	14
Houshold	10	11	14
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	10	4

At a Meeting of the Select men, October 8. 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[46.] The Selectmen having considered the Vote which the Town passed at their Meeting May 12^t relative to a Well or Reservoir of Water at the Dock to serve in case of Fire.

The Question was put, Whether they had by vertue of said Vote a power to dig one or more Wells for fresh Water, which passed in the affermative.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 19, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. Hartley came up from the Hospital at Rainsford's Island and Reported — That he had been on board the Flagg of Truce Sloop Cap^t. Andrew from Martinique, and thoroughly smoaked and cleansed said Vessell, so that she is now in a condition to come up to Town — That he had taken out of said Sloop Eight Persons, two of them sick with the Small Pox, two others that have not had the distemper, and the other four Persons that have had it formerly, that those better having been sufficiently air'd and cleansed. are now in circumstances to come up to [47.] Town, also that the Captain desired that himself and four of his People above mentioned, might be permitted to leave the Island, and come up to Town with the Ves:ell.

Voted, that the Flagg of Truce be permitted to leave the Island together with the four Persons who have had the Small Pox formerly, and that a Certificate be given his Excellency the Governor, accordingly.

The Selectmen were informed that one of the Sailors belonging to the Flagg of Truce named John Sutton had left said Vessell while she lay at Plymouth, and was now in this Town, having been seen at the Widow Brown's House nigh M^r. Page's Ship Yard, where he had left some of his Cloaths. — Upon this information M^r. Williston was directed to endeavour finding said Person, and when found to order him to attend the Selectmen.

John Sutton appear'd according to order, and after examination, was sent down to Rainsfords Island with M^r. Hartley, who was directed to see him well aired & cleansed and not to permit his leaving the Island, till further Orders.

A Certificate of the Flagg of Truce Cap^t. Andrew being in Circumstances to come up to Town, was sent his Excellency and is as follows, viz^t.

[48.] May it please your Excellency

The Flagg of Truce from Martinique lately Ordered to Rainsfords Island as having the Small Pox on board, has been sufficiently smoked aired and cleansed, and we are of opinion she may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants if your Excellency think fit. We are

Your Excellency's Most Obed. Humb. Serv^{ts}.

THOMAS CUSHING

SAM. HEWS

BENJ. AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL ESQ.

S. P. SAVAGE

EZEK^l. LEWIS

Selectmen

Boston October 19.

To His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 21, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Benjamin Austin Esq

M^r. Samuel Sewall

M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

M^{rs}. Tilley who lived with her Father George Tilley lately deceased apply'd to the Selectmen for their Approbation of her as an Inholder in the same House the remainder of the Year [49.] and was approbated accordingly.

M^r. Williston informed that the Gates of the Common Burial Ground were so much decayed, as to render the entrance unsafe.

M^r. Cushing was desired to get the same repair'd as soon as may be.

M^{rs}. Simpson apply'd to the Select men for their approbation as an Inholder in the House where she now lives in lately kept by her Brother William Cowell deceased, which House has been a licensed one for near forty years. And was Approbated accordingly.

M^r. William Philips acquainted the Selectmen that he had taken

into his Family one Edward Tayler as a Labourer, which Person lately arriv'd here from Ireland.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 28, 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hewes Esq.
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samnel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[50.] Samuel Trescott was admitted as a Watchman in the South Watch in the room of John Procter, now at Sea.

M^r. Nathaniel Brown was directed to deliver unto M^r. Moses Pitcher all the Sashes saved from Faneuil Hall Market, at the late Fire, which said Brown had the charge of.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, November 4, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezek^l. Lewis

Mess^{rs}. Francis Salmon, William Dorrington, Samuel McClure & Stephen Syms appeared, and proposed themselves for Constables of the several Watches in this Town.

Gentlemen

We have directed the bearer to convey to you one Rachel Felt an Inhabitant of your Town who is a Person greatly disordered in her senses, and as such a one ought not to be permitted to go at large. If she should return to this Town she must be confined at our Alms house and the charge of her [51.] Maintenance defreayed by your Town
 Your humble Servants

Boston Nov^r. 4. 1761

The Selectmen

To The Selectmen of Attleborough

Voted, that Samuel M^cClure be and hereby is admitted and appointed Head or Constable of the Watch at the Town Dock, and Isaac Townsend James Clark, George Haislup John Holbrook Robert m^cElroy and William Austin, are admitted as Watchmen in said Watch.

Voted, that William Dorrington be and hereby is appointed the Head or Constable of the Watch at the North end, and Abiah Holbrook, Isaac Peirce Moses Barron, & David Lenox are admitted as Watchmen in said Watch.

Voted, that Francis Salmon be and hereby is appointed Head or Constable of the Watch at the Town House, and John Jenkins, M^r. Hicks, Ichabod Williston and Thomas Thorp are admitted as Watchmen in said Watch.

Voted, that Stephen Symms, be & hereby is Appointed Head or Constable of the Watch at the South End of the Town, and John

Roustead Thomas Bradford, Joseph Gardner & Samuel Trescott are admitted as Watchmen in said Watch.

[52.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 7, 1761.

Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Six Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0 -	7 -	5
Wheaten	0 -	11 -	
Houshold	0 -	14 -	10
Two Penny White Loaf	0 -	14 -	10
Wheaten	1 -	6 -	0
Houshold	1 -	18 -	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	1 -	15
Houshold	5 -	6 -	15
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	3 -	14
Houshold	10 -	11 -	14
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1 -	10 -	4

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf weighs 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^r. 11, 1763. (*sic*) — Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[53.] Cap^t. Ballard and M^r. Emmons in behalf of themselves and others incommoded by a Drain or Sink which runs through Paddys Alley, apply'd to the Selectmen for redress.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Nov^r. 13, 1761.—

Present
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

The Selectmen having duly considered the Vote of the Town relative to the Town Watch, agreed that the following Orders be given to the Constables of all the Divisions of said Watch excepting that at the Town Dock; and the Clerk is directed to make fair Drafts of the same for said Constables.

The Selectmen having appointed you — Constable of the Watch at — do Order and direct.

1^o. That you with the Watch men under you attend at said Watch House at the hours of 9 o'Clock every Night from the 20^o of September to the 20 of March, and at the Hours of 10. Clock from the 20^o March to the 20^o. of September, and that you and each of

you continue upon duty untill [54.] Sunrise, and if any of your Division should misbehave you must inform the Selectmen of it.

2^d. That you keep a fair Journal of your doings every Night, how you find the state of the Town, and who of the Watchmen are on duty. and Report to the Selectmen every Wednesday.

3^d. That two at least of your Division taking their Staves with them, walk the rounds within your Ward twice at least every Night, and oftener if necessary, setting out from the Watch House at such times in the Night as you shall Judge best, but varying the time according to your discretion.

4th. In going the rounds care must be taken that the Watchmen are not noisy, but behave with the strictest decorum, that they frequently give the time of the Night and what the Weather is with a moderate Voice.

5th. You and your Division must endeavour to suppress all routs riots and other disorders that may be committed in the Night, and secure such persons as may be guilty, that you may the next Morning take such steps as the Law directs for a prosecution.

6th. You are to take up all Negroes Indian & Molotta [55.] Slaves, that may be absent from their Masters Houses, after 9 o Clock at Night, unless they can give a good and satisfactory Account of their business.

7th. The Selectmen recommend to you and your Division that you behave with sobriety temperance vigilance and fidelity — your Office requires such a Conduct, the security of the Town demands it, and you may be assured that your continuance in the place to which you are appointed to all together depends upon it.

It is further Agreed by the Selectmen, that in the Orders to be given the Constable of the Dock Watch instead of the Article N^o. 3 in the other Orders, the following shall be inserted — viz^t.

That two at least of your Division taking their Staves with them walk the rounds within your Ward to the Westward of your Watch house twice every Night and oftener if necessary, and that other two of your Division walk the rounds in the same manner to the Eastward of the Watch house amongst the Warehouses and down the Long Wharf, and as this Ward contains much of the Inhabitants Substance, we recommend great care in the [56.] Inspection thereof, — that one of your Division, constantly when the Weather will admit of it walk to and from the Market across the Drain into Union Street as far as M^r. Salter's shop, and that he hale all Persons passing along after such time of the night as you shall order.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 16, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Mr. Richards applyed to the Selectmen for liberty to open a Drain in a Street near the Sign of the Schooner in Distress.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 18, 1761.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
M^r. Ezck^l. Lewis

[57.] M^r. Adams was directed to make enquiry of Cap^t. Loring lately from Plymouth, whose Wife died some Weeks since with the Small Pox, and Report whether proper care had been taken of his Clothing & other Things in the airing and cleansing of the same.

Having received a Warrant from the Judge of Probates for the County of Suffolk, to enquire into the Circumstances of one Thomas Stone of Lovels Island, Represented by his Friends as a distracted or lunatick Person, and the Season, & other Circumstances not permitting our going to said Island and seeing him in Person A number of Persons were desired to attend, and give evidence relative to the behavior and conduct of said Stone when Deacon John Tudor, M^{rs}. Mary Murphey, Margaret Poor and William Stone Jun^r. attended accordingly — And by their several Evidences it appearing to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, that M^r. Stone was a Person Lunatick or Distracted.

Voted, that he be returned as such a one to the Judge of Probates, and a Return of the Warrant signed by the Selectmen was made accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^r. 20, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

[58.]

Voted, that M^r. M^oKnight be directed to proceed next Monday in digging the Reservoir at the Dock which must be Eight or ten feet deeper than it now is, and that he also Stone the same; unless any proposals should in the interem be made by the Neighbourhood for turning it into a Well of Fresh Water.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 2^d. 1761. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq
Samuel Hews Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq

Mr. Samuel Sewall
 Mr. Sam. P. Savage
 Mr. Ezekiel Lewis

Voted, that the Building in which is kept the Engine under the Command of David Wheeler, be removed from where it now stands, to a spot of Ground near Deacon Elliots at the South End of the Town.

Henry Christian Geer attended, and requested of the Selectmen that he might have the doing of the Stone Cutters Work, at Faneuil Hall Building, and agreed to wait for [59.] His pay, as the other Tradesmen, employ'd on said Building have engaged to do.

Voted, That the Clerk write M^r. Pymore of Dorchester desiring her liberty for taking down some defective Chimnies in a House of Hers in this Town, as the Limbs and Lives of the Inhabitants are exposed in their passing and repassing said Building; And in case she refuses given her consent, that the steps of the Law in such case made & provided, be immediately pursued.

Voted, that M^r. John Procter be and hereby is allowed for the hire of his Apprentice James Carter as an Assistant to M^r. Tileston Master of the North Writing School, at the Rate of £34 p. annum.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, December 16, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage

John Ruddock Esq. who was chosen one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Present Year, appeared, and accepted to serve in that Office, and proposed Capt. Nathaniel Greenwood & M^r. Nathl. Greenwood for his Bondsmen, who were accepted by the Selectmen.

[60.] M^r. Samuel Adams one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1761, appeared, and accepted to serve in the said Office, and proposed John Rowe Esq, and M^r. Robert Peirpont for his Bondsmen, who were accepted by the Selectmen — And the Town Clerk is directed to prepare Bonds accordingly.

M^r. John Grant another of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1761, Appeard, and accepted to serve in said office and proposed Samuel Grant Esq. and Capt. Fortesque Vernon for his Bondsmen, who were accepted by the Select men — And the Town Clerk is directed to prepare Bonds accordingly.

M^r. Jonathan Payson the other Collector of Taxes for the Year 1761 Appeard, and accepted to serve in said Office and proposed Cap^t. Jonathan Cary and M^r. John Greighton of Roxbury for his Bondsmen who were accepted by the Select men. And the Town Clerk is directed to propose Bonds accordingly.

The Keys of the Towns' Warehouse on Dock Square lately occupied by M^r. James Mason deceased, were delivered up by the

Administrator the 12. of this Instant December, at which Day his Rent is to expire.

[61.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, December 18, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ordered that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and eight Pence p. Bushel and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0 -	7 -	10
Wheaten	0 -	11 -	9
Houshold	0 -	15 -	7
Two Penny White Loaf	0 -	15 -	7
Wheaten	1 -	7 -	8
Houshold	1 -	14 -	14
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	5 -	8
Houshold	5 -	12 -	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	11 -	1
Houshold	11 -	9 -	6
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1 -	11 -	14

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf weighs 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

[62.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 23^d., 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. John Pullen applied to the Selectmen to view the Ground on which he designs to Erect a Building. that it may be determined whether a Foundation can be obtain'd therefor without very great expence.

Mess^{rs}. Austin and Scollay' Appointed a Committee for the above mentioned purpose.

M^r. Henry Robey Glazier appeard, and agreed with the Select men, to Repair and new Sash the Windows of the North Writing School at the rate of Four Shillings old Ten^r. p. Square the Glass to be 7. by 9. As also to allow 3/ old Ten^r. p. foot for the Glass that may be taken out.

M^{rs}. Sarah Ridgway Attend^d. and informed the Selectmen that her Husband had lately deceased, who had been licensed this Year as an Inn holder, and having asked the approbation of the Select

men for her holding a License the remainder of the year, she was accordingly approbated.

[63.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 24, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

The Undertakers for the Repairs of Faneuil Hall having represented to the Select men, that great Charge and difficulty as well as loss of Time must ensue by carrying that part of the Order of the Town into execution, which enjoins that the Frames for the Windows of that Building should be of Stone;

The Gentlemen the Committee who Reported to the Town on that Head, were desired to attend, and after considerable discourse on that Subject, it was unanimously Voted by said Committee as their Opinion, that such difficultys were in the way of carrying that Order of the Town into execution, as made it not for the Interest of the Town that it should be so done. They were also generally of opinion that it would be needless to call a Meeting of the Inhabitants for their advice in a matter, which appeared so plain, that their Interest could not but be as well consulted, without such a Meeting.

[64.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 28, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Whereas the Curbs in the Well or Reservoir at the Dock have through some defect in the Construction there of given way; and as the Cold Season is too far advanced to Admit that the damage occasioned thereby should be so repaired as that the project may still be pursued agreeable to the Order of the Town, for a Well or Reservoir — therefore Voted, that all further procedure be for the present postponed, and that M^r. M^r Knight be directed to make what savings he can of the Clay and Wooden Work.

The Town Clerk is directed to write a Letter to Cap^t. Western of Plymouth, acquainting him that unless he immediately secures the Town from all damage and charge that may arise by his bringing Scipio late a Negro Servant of the Hon^{ble}. John Osborne Esq. now a Free Negro, and also a White Person into this Town, he may depend upon being immediately prosecuted, for his breach of Law in that respect.

[65.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 30, 1761.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel Sewall
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Upon complaint made by M^r. M^o. Clure Constable of the Dock Watch, against M^r. Townsend one of the Watch men for some rude speach and behaviour to him the said Constable.

M^r. Townsend was Ordered to attend the Selectmen, and after a full hearing it was,

Voted, that the said Townsend be and hereby is dismissed from the Dock Watch.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen January 6. 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq
M^r. Ezekiel Lewis
M^r. Samuel Savage

M^r. Sutton Master of Engine N. 7. acquainted the Selectmen, that Zepheniah Bassett one of his Comp^r. was dead, and that Gowen Brown another of his Comp^r. declined said [66.] Service, and having proposed Joel Cushing and Thomas Bracket as Engine Men in their room.

Voted, that the above Named Persons be and hereby are Admitted as Engine Men in said Company in the room of the one who is dead, & the other who declines serving.

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee to Rent out the Ware house lately occupied by M^r. Mason deceased, and to discourse with M^r. William Gray, M^r. Jackson and M^r. Hammock as to the Rent of their Shops and Store.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen January 9, 1762.

Present

John Scollay Esq
Samuel Hews Esq
Samuel P. Savage
Benjamin Austin Esq

Complaint having been made by a number of Inhabitants that the Chimnies of the House in Wings Lane, occupied by James Clark, are insufficient and dangerous — Mess^{rs}. John Kneeland and Thomas Daws were desired & impow^rd to survey the same, and make Report as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, January 11, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq

[67.]

Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

The Committee appointed the 9 Instant to survey M^r. Clarks Chimnies Reported as their Opinion — That the Complaint exhibited against them was Just — that said Chimnies are insufficient and dangerous, and that no Fire should be made in them while they remain in their present condition.

The Copys of the said Warrant and Return are as follows.

Sirs, Boston, January 9, 1762.

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of the House in Wings Lane occupied by M^r. James Clarke are insufficient and dangerous, we do desire and impower you to survey the same and Report to us your Judgment concerning them.

JOHN SCOLLAY	} Select men of Boston
SAM. HEWS	
SAM. P. SAVAGE	
BENJ ^r . AUSTIN	

To Mess^{rs}. John Kneeland & Thomas Daws.

Boston, January 11th. 1762.

To the Gentlemen Select men

Sirs,

Agreeable to your desire and power given us to survey the Chimnies in the House in [68.] Wings Lane Occupied by M^r. James Clark and others, have carefully survey'd said Chimnies, and Report our Judgment as follows — We Join with the Complainants and say the Chimnies are insufficient and dangerous ; that no Fire should be made therein while they remain in such a ruinous condition.

JOHN KNEELAND
 THOMAS DAWS

In consequence of the above Return it was Voted, that the following Order be sent M^r. James Clark
 M^r. James Clark

Upon complaint made by a number of the Inhabitants of the Town of defects in the Chimnies of the House Occupied by yourself we issued our Warrant for a Survey, a Copy of the Return on said Warrant you have above.

Agreeable to the direction of the Law in that case made and provided, whereby warn you not to make any Fire in said Chimnies till the defects are cured either by amending repairing or rebuilding said Chimnies, as you would avoid the penalty of said Law

By Order of the Select men

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Boston January 11, 1762

Voted, that the whole of the Law relating to the Admission of Town Inhabitants be Printed, and that the several Constables of the Town be directed to disperse the same among the Inhabitants when they shall next Warn them of a Town Meeting.

[69.] This Day the Jury Box was renewed in which were put all the Names of the Inhabitants, which had been handed to the

Selectmen by the Assessors of the Town, the same having been first examined and approved of by the Selectmen.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, January 13, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Voted, that M^r. Adams be directed, that he once more Warn Elizabeth Hill to depart out of this Town, at the same time acquainting her, that if she should be found in this place, twenty four hours after said Warning, the Law which enjoin Wipping will be put in execution respecting her.

Voted, that M^r. Adams be directed to proceed in the same manner with M^{rs}. Okes — Also that her Grand Daughter be carried out of this Town.

Voted, that the Names of the following Persons be returned to the Assessors, as those who in the Opinion of the [70.] Select men ought to be Taxed for the Real Estate which they Occupy, and the Business they negotiate in this Town, it being agreeable to Law, that they should be thus taxed. Viz^t.

The Hon^{ble}. James Russell
 Ralph Inman Esq
 M^r. John Soley
 M^r. Thomas Bell
 ——— Hall at Moors Corner
 James Smith Esq.
 M^r. Andrew M^c.Kenzie
 Benjamin Pemberton Esq.
 Cap^t. Robinson of Dorchester for a Negro man

a Baker who has set up that Business at the Horse Shoe.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of five Shillings and Eight Pence for Wheat p. Bushel and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

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Wheaten	1	7	8
Houshold	1	14	14
Six Penny Wheaten	4	5	8
Houshold	5	12	11
[71.] Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	1
Houshold	11	9	6
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	11	14

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

At a meeting of the Selectmen, January 20, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Capt. Robert Robbins acquainted the Selectmen that he had let his House known by the Name of the Bull Tavern to one Benjamin Bigelow.

M^r. William Miller from Europe attended the Selectmen and acquainted them, that with their consent he purposed to open a Book Sellers Shop in King's street, having imported a large Quantity of Books for that purpose.

Voted, that he be permitted accordingly.

The several Constables of the Watch made their returns as usual.

[72.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, January 25, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

The Selectmen Let to M^r. William Dennie Merchant, and he accordingly took possession the 15 Instant of the Towns Ware house which is opposite to the Golden Balls, at the Rate of Twenty four Pounds p. Annum.

Passed upon a number of Accounts, for which Drafts on the Treasury were Ordered.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, February 3^d. 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

M^r. James Bernard Master of Engine N^o. 3. presented William Smith a suitable Person for an Engine Man in his Company.

[73.] Voted that William Smith be and hereby is Admitted as an Engine Man in the Company of m^r. Bernard's Engine.

M^r. James Bernard Master of the Engine N^o. 3 Apply'd to the Selectmen for his Premium for playing first with his Engine at the late Fire which broke out at m^r. Robs Sugar House.

A Committee from the Gentlemen the Overseers of the Poor attended, and informed that the Selectmen that Cap^t. Manger

who has been a long while at the Alms House as a distracted Person, is now become calm and composed, and desires that he may have a passage found him for Guernsey the Place of his proper home.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Feb. 10, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Ezekiel Lewis

Ordered, that Abigail Elson a Soldiers Widow, her Husband formerly belonging to the 3^d. Battallion of Royal Americans and in Coll. Youngs Companys be sent to the [74.] Almshouse on the Province Charge. Mem^o. The said Elsons Husband dead she within a Month of her Travel, came from Quebeck to this Place via New York.

Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin and Savage Appointed a Committee to enquire out the Character of one Moore, who applys for the Care of the Put House at New Boston.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and ten Pence p Bushel for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows Viz^t.

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Two Penny White Loaf	0	15	-
Wheaten	1	6	9
Houshold	1	14	1
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	3	11
Houshold	5	9	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	7	7
Houshold	10	10	5
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	11	-

Mem^o. a 4^d Brick Loaf is to weigh 8 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf

[75.] At a Meeting of the Honourable His Majestys Justice of the Peace, the Gentlemen the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor within the Town of Boston on Thursday the Eleventh Day of February Anno Domini 1762.

Present

Samuel Wells Esq
 William Story Esq
 John Hill Esq
 Belcher Noyes Esq
 Justices of the Peace

Thomas Cushing
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 M^r Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq
 Selectmen

Royal Tyler Esq
 Samuel Dexter Esq
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 John Phillips Esq.
 Meletiah Bourn Esq.
 M^r. Henry Bromfield
 M^r. Isaac Smith

[76.]

Overseers of the Poor

A General Walk or Visitation of the Town was then Agreed upon to be attended on Tuesday the Sixteenth Day of February Instant, at Nine o'Clock in the Morning if the Weather be fair if not then on the Fryday following being the Nineteenth Inst. And it is also Agreed to meet in the Selectmens Chamber in the Town House at Five o'Clock in the Evening of said Day of Visitation, to Report the State of the Town &c.

The Order or Sortment as follows, Viz^t.

Ward Number One

John Steel Esq
 Royal Tyler Esq
 Cap^t. William White
 Cap^t. Ralph Hart
 Deacon Jonathan Brown
 Cap^t. Arthur Savage
 M^r. Elisha Byles — Constable

Ward, Number Two

John Ruddock Esq
 Samuel Dexter Esq
 Cap^t. Nathaniel Greenwood
 M^r. John Grant
 M^r. John Grenough
 Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 M^r. Elisha Byles — Constable

[77.]

Ward Number Three

Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Foster Hutchinson Esq
 Joseph Gardner Esq
 M^r. John Tudor
 Cap^t. Newman Grenough
 M^r. Nathaniel Loring
 Cap^t. David Jenkins

- M^r. Michael Dennis
 M^r. James Bradford
 M^r. James Thomas — Constable
 Ward, Number Four
 Richard Dana Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 John Barrat Esq
 M^r. David Jeffries
 M^r. Samuel Edwards
 M^r. John Crompton — Constable
 Ward Number Five
 [78.] Joshua Winslow Esq
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 M^r. James Halsey
 M^r. Henry Newman
 M^r. Alexander Chamberlain
 Capt. William Holmes
 M^r. John Rogers — Constable
 Ward, Number Six
 Belcher Noyes Esq
 M^r. Isaac Walker
 Samuel Grant Esq
 M^r. William Fairfield
 M^r. Richard Billings
 M^r. Ebenezer Storer Jun^r.
 M^r. Edward Green
 M^r. Augustus Hale — Constable
 Ward, Number Seven
 William Story Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 M^r. John Kneeland
 M^r. Timothy Newell
 Cap^t. Hugh McDaniel
 M^r. Timothy Fitch
 M^r. William Dorrington
 [79.] Ward Number Eight
 John Phillips Esq.
 Joseph Jackson Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Phillips Savage
 M^r. Jonathan Payson
 M^r. William Torrey
 M^r. Nathaniel Thayer — Constable
 Ward, Number Nine
 Thomas Cushing Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Austin
 M^r. Samuel Sewall
 Cap^t. William Tayler
 M^r. Samuel McClure, Constable
 Ward, Number Ten
 Joseph Dowse Esq.

Meletiah Brown Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Jeremiah Green Esq.
 John Erving Jun^r. Esq.
 M^r. Thomas Gray
 M^r. John Mico Wendell
 D^r. Pynchon
 M^r. William Blair Townsend
 M^r. Francis Salmon — Constable
 Ward, Number Eleven
 John Hills Esq
 Joshua Henshaw Esq
 M^r. Benjamin Church
 M^r. Henry Bromfield
 M^r. Rufus Green
 Jonathan Simpson Esq
 M^r. Eliphalet Parker — Constable
 Ward, Number Twelve
 Honourable Samuel Wells Esq
 M^r. Isaac Smith
 Cap^t. Hopestill Foster
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 Deacon Thomas Foster
 M^r. Thomas Trott
 M^r. Stephen Symms — Constable

[80.]

And the Town Clerk is directed to give forth copys of the above Order or Sortment accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Select men, February 16, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

[81.]

There having been a General Walk or Visitation of the Town this Day the Gentlemen that attended Met and Reported the following Strangers they found in Town Viz^t.

John Mansfield his Wife and Children has been three Weeks in a Garret of a House formerly Luke Stones, near to Elder Parkmans.

Also one James Martin in said House.

Sarah Oakes her Daughter and a Child of about Seven years of Age, at the Widow Jervis's House near the North Battery.

Also one Deborah Meek, all from Marblehead & the Point.

Mary Bristol from London came in Cap^t. Kerkwood at one Kitchen's House adjoining m^r. Bouchers, has been there some Months.

A Free Negro Man from Reading late a Servant of Timothy

Emmerson in the Town lives at a House near D^r. Mayhews Meeting House — The Name of the Negro is George Cobourn

Also one Peter Lear in Stanfords Colledge so called.

M^r. Collier from Needham a Widow Woman has been in Town about four Months and lives in a House at Gibbins Court.

A Woman from Marblehead lives at a House near m^r. Hatch the Wharfinger's has been warned out of Town Several times.

[82.] The Names of the Persons mentioned on the other side were given to m^r. Abijah Adams, in order for their being by him warned out of Town, as the Law directs.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, February 17, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Complaint having been made the Selectmen by a number of Inhabitants that the Chimnies of a House in Sea Street near Bulls Wharf occupied by Daniel Starr and others are insufficient and dangerous — Mess^{rs}. Thomas Ethridge and Thomas Daws were empower'd and desired to survey the same and Report as soon as may be.

Passed upon D^r. Myles Whitworths Province Accounts being for Medicines and Attendance on Strangers who were sick and disorded at the Almshouse & said Account bookes forward to the 24 of this Instant February, and amounts to One Hundred and Twelve Pounds Seventeen Shillings and four Pence.

[83.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, February 25, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq

Johh Scollay Esq

Benjamin Austin Esq

Samuel Sewall Esq

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Voted, that a Note of Hand of m^r. Cloughs the Gun Smith payable to m^r. Treasurer Jeffries for a fine it was supposed he had made himself liable for, be by the said Treasurer delivered up to m^r. Clough, it appearing to the Selectmen upon a more full enquiry, to be very dubious, whether or no he had incurred the Penalty of the Law — and that the Treasurer be directed accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen February 26, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq

John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

[84.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and Rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single Rate besides the Poll, to Convene at the Town House on Monday the eighth Day of March next at 9 o Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to Nominate and choose meet Persons to serve the Town the Year ensuing as Selectmen Town Clerk Overseers of the Poor, Wardens, Firewards, Constables, and other Officers as the Law directs; To grant such Sums of Mony and in such manner as may be judged needful for the payment of the School Masters, for the relief of the Poor & defreying other necessary Charges; To receive the Reports of the Towns Committees on several Affairs; To act upon the List of Jurors; To Appoint a Committee to visit the Schools To choose Auditors of the Accounts of the Town Treasurer, and Overseers of the Poor; To determine what Premium shall be allowed the Collectors of Taxes for Collecting the new Tax for the Streets, as well as the Tax for the Current Charges of the Year, and on the Time the Assessors may set to make Abatements on the latter; To receive and examin the Accounts [85.] Of the Granary; To determine what Bells shall be rang at Five o Clock in the Morning; To consider of the desire of a number of the Inhabitants viz^t.

That the Town would take such methods as shall be judged necessary for the Incorporation of it; That a Committee be Appointed to enquire what has been the occasion of the heavy Expences of the Town for several Years past, and what steps are necessary to be taken to reduce the same; That a Committee be appointed to Audit the Accounts of the Managers of the Lottery granted by the General Court for Paving the Neck; And that the Town would repair the High Way within the Fortification or oblige the Proprietors of the Land on each side to do it; And also Act upon all such matters and Things as stand referred over to said Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 8^d 1762 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.

[86.] Ordered, that Mess^{rs}. Green and Russell have the Printing the Notifications for the Annual Town Meeting in March Inst.

Voted, that the Rev^d. D^r Charles Chancy be desired to Open

the Town Meeting on Monday next with Prayer, and that Mess^{rs}. Austin and Lewis be a Committee to acquaint him therewith.

[1.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 2^d. 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

John Leaveret Esq. having made Application to the Selectmen to know their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he purposes to Erect on the Ladd near his Dwelling House at the North side of the Town Dock, without very great expence; and said Land having been accordingly view'd by the Selectmen.

Voted, that it is the Opinion of the Selectmen that no solid Foundation can be obtain'd on said Land without a very great expence.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 10, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq

[2.]

Benjamin Austin Esq

Samuel Sewall Esq

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Complaint having been made by a number of Inhabitants that the Chimnies of a House in Fleet Street near Cap^t Pallins, occupied by one Vorgt (*or Vergt*) and others are insufficient and dangerous.

Mess^{rs}. Atkins and Brown were impowered and desired to survey the same and report as soon as may be.

M^r. John Bulfinch informs that he has taken into his House one Conlens Soutwert of Duxbury

Ordered, that m^r Adams be directed to warn the said Southwert to depart this Town, according to Law.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Sewall be a Committee to examin the several By-Laws of the Town, now in force, and Report to the Selectmen, whether they apprehend it necessary to make a further addition thereto.

M^r. Williston is directed to notify the several Sealers of Wood in this Town, that the Selectmen require their attendance next Wednesday in the Afternoon.

[3.] Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay Austin and Lewis be a Committee to wait upon the Proprietors of the Land on each side of the High Way near the Fortification, and acquaint them, that they are required by the Selectmen to secure the said High Way from the encroachments of the Sea immediately, and that unless this is done by them before next May Meeting, the Select men will then be

under a necessity to recommend it to the Town that they may be prosecuted for such their neglect.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 16, 1762

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

William Manning now at the Alms house on the Province Ex-
 pence, Apply'd to the Select to provide him a passage from hence
 to England or New York, and Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin are ap-
 pointed a Committee for said purpose.

[4.] Ordered that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread
 at the Rate of Five Shillings and ten Pence p. Bushel for Wheat,
 and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges
 Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

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Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 8 oz. less than a 4^d. White
 Loaf.

Passed upon M^r. Samuel Procter Master of the Almshouse his
 Province Account for the maintenance of Strangers to be laid
 before the Council for their [5.] Acceptance; a Copy of which
 Account is upon File.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 24, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Information being given the Selectmen, by m^r. Joseph Henshaw,
 that the bottom of Rainsfords Lane is much out of Repair.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Hews be a Committee to ex-
 amin and view the Lane, and Report what may be necessary to be
 done therein.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 29, 1762.

Present

- Thomas Cushing Esq
- John Scollay Esq
- Benjamin Austin Esq
- Samuel Sewall Esq
- Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

This Day the Selectmen endorsed a Warrant from the Governor and Council on the Province Treasurers in their favor [G.] To M^r. Treasurer Jeffries; it being for the Charge of supporting the Province Poor at the Alms House from the first of September 1761 to the first of March 1762, and amounting to One hundred fifty two Pounds, Nineteen Shillings and one penny.

Gentlemen

Above is Copy of the Account of Charge arising for supplys to John Beneway a French Neutral Assigned to your Town, who was taken sick while here, on a visit. We have not laid the Account before the Sessions as the Law directs, supposing some charge might arise, and that you had rather avoid it by paying the same to M^r. Treasurer Jeffries

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

To the Selectmen of Brookline.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk enter in the Minute Book the following Account, viz^t.

The Town of Brookline to the Town of Boston D^r.

For sundrys supply'd John Beneway a French Neutral belonging to *tu (sic)* said Brookline, while sick at Boston, Viz^t. Supply'd by Isaac Smith Esq. one of the Overseers of y^r. Town, Viz^t:

1760 September 10	-	½ Cord Wood	- - - - -	£ - 9 - 4
November 3	-	Cash	- - - - -	8 -
29	-	1 Blanket	- - - - -	12
Decem ^r 8 & 15	a	Cord Wood 10/8. Cash 4/-		14 - 8
[7.] December 23		Cash 3/	- - - - -	8 -
1761 January 2	-	Cash	- - - - -	9 -
Jan ^r . 5	-	Cash 2/, Jan ^r . 10, Cash 6/-		8
19	-	Ditto 2/8	26 Ditto 3/-	5 - 8
30	-	Ditto 6/ Feb ^r . 7	Ditto 2/8	8 - 8
Feb ^r . 14	-	Wood 9/	21 Ditto 3/-	12 -
March 3 ^d .	-	Cash	- - - - -	8 -

£ 4 - 8 - 4

Supplied by Samuel Dexter Esq. another of the Overseers, Viz^t.

1761, April 2^d. Cash - - - - - 3

£ 4 - 11 - 4^d

A Letter was this Day wrote the Selectmen of Dorchester, respecting one Joseph Lanne a French Neutral, which Letter together with said Lannes acco^t. of Charges is entred in these Minutes by Order of the Select men.

Gentlemen,

Above is Copy of the Account of Charge arising for supplies to Joseph Lanne a French Neutral Assigned to your Town, who was taken sick here, while on a visit — We have not laid the Account before the Sessions as the Law directs, supposing some charge might arise, and you had rather avoid it by paying the same to our Treasurer M^r. Jeffries

By Order

To the Selectmen of Dorchester

W. C. Town Clerk

The Town of Dorchester to the Town of Boston, D^r.
 [8.] Sundries supplied Joseph Lanne a French Neutral belonging to said Dorchester — Viz^t.

1760	Septem ^r . 22 ^d .	To Cash 3/4	Septem ^r . 30	To Cash 3/	£ - 6 - 4
		To ½ Cord Wood 10/	Octo ^r . 6	To Cash 2/5	12 - 5
October	10.	To Cash 3/ -	29	To ½ Cord Wood 10/	13 -
	29.	To ditto 2/ - - - -	Nov ^r . 1	To Cash 20 ^d .	3 - 8
Novem ^r .	7&9.	To ditto 2/8 - - - - -		To ditto 2/	4 - 8
		To ½ Cord Wood - - - - -			5 - 4
	13-	To Cash 2/8	17	To ½ Cord Wood 10/	12 - 8
	24-	To Cash - - - - -			8 -
	29-	To Cash 2/8 - - -	Decem ^r . 8-	To Cash 6/	8 - 8
Decem ^r .	8-	To 1 Blanket 13/4- -		To ½ Cord Wood 10/	1 - 4
	21-	To ½ Cord Wood 10/8	Decem ^r . 23	To Cash 6/	16 - 8
1761	January 2 ^d .	To Cash 6/ - - - -	Jan ^r . 10	To Cash 6/	12 -
	19-	To ditto 6/ - - - - -	6 feet Wood 18/	1 - 4 -	
	26	To ditto 3/ - - - - -	30-	To Cash 6/	9 -
Feb ^r .	12.	To ditto 6/ - - - -	Feb ^r . 18.	To ditto 3/	9
	24	To ditto 6/ - - - -	March 3	To ditto 6/	12
		To ½ Cord of Wood - - - - -			9

£ 9 - 5 - 5

Above supplied by Isaac Smith Esq one of the Overseers of the Town

April 2 ^d .	To Cash 3/	April 7.	To Cash 6/	£ - 9 -
15.	To Cash 1/4	15.	To Ditto 2/4	3 - 8
	To ditto 3/ -	27-	To Ditto 4/	7 -
May 4.	To ditto - - - - -			2 - 8

Am - 1 - 2 - 4

£.10 - 7 - 9

Above supplyd by Samuel Dexter Esq. one of the Overseers of y^r. Town.

[9.] A Letter was this Day wrote the Selectmen of Newtown, respecting one Maria Thersea Lebeaux a French Woman, Copy of which Letter together with said Lebeaux Account of Charges, are entred in these Minutes by Order of the Selectmen.

Gentlemen

Above is a Copy of Account of Charges arising for supplies to Maria Theresa Lebeaux a French Neutral assigned to your Town, but was taken sick while on a visit here — We have not laid the Account before the Session as the Law directs, supposing some

Charge might arise, and that you had rather avoid it, by paying the same to our Treasurer M^r. Jeffries

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER, Town Clerk

The Town of Newton to the Town of Boston D^r.

For Sundrys supply'd Maria Theresa Lebeaux a French Neutral belonging to said Newtown while sick in Boston.

1760 July 14	- - - To Cash	- - - - -	£ 2 - 1
August 23	- To Ditto	- - - - -	1 - 6

£- 3 - 7

Supply'd by Jonⁿ. Mason one of the Overseers of the Town,

[10.] 1761 April 15.	- To Cash	- - - - -	£ - 2 - 4
May 2 ^d .	- To Ditto	- - - - -	- 1 - 4 3 - 8

£ 0 - 7 - 8

Supply'd by James Dexter Esq. another of the Overseers

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 31, 1762. —

Present

John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

M^r. John Newall acquainted the Selectmen that he had taken into his House a Negro Man from Salem named Will —

Joseph Putnam Master of Engine N. 4. informed the Selectmen that the Engine under his care was first brought to work at the late Fires which broke out at Joshua Winslow Esq Distilling House, and at a Barn near Coll. Brattles House in King street, and desired that the Premium granted by the Town of Thirteen Shillings and four Pence for each Fire, may be allowed them.

Voted, that he have a Draft on the Town Treasurer for both Premiums accordingly.

[11.] The several Scavengers were desired to attend at the Selectmens Chamber in Faneuil Hall, next Wednesday Afternoon.

M^r. Benjamin Biggelow attended, and informed the Selectmen, that himself his Wife and four Children had come to this Town from Cambridge, and that he had taken a House near Bulls Wharf for his Dwelling, and had received as Inmates John Bryant and Wife, from said Cambridge, and a Boy from Roxbury named Dixon.

Hug Hall Esq. M^r. Samuel Waterhouse and M^r. Robert Pierpoint some of the Proprietors of Land on each side of the High Way near the Fortification, attended the Selectmen, and assured them, that they now ready to comply with their request, by immediately securing said High Way from the incroachments of the Tides, and in all respects fulfilling the Agreement entred into with the Town of Boston, November 1758.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 2^d. 1763 (*sic*).

Present

[12.] Thomas Cushing
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Voted, That Mr. Nathaniel Thayer be and he hereby is Appointed a Sealer of Cord Wood brought into this Town by Water in the room of Mr. Joseph Webb, who by reason of Bodily infirmity is rendered incapable of discharging that trust.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 7, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Mr. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mr. Joseph Watts attend^d. and informed the Select men, that he has taken into his House Joseph Capman his Wife and two Children, who came from Norwich, and are desirous of being admitted Inhabitants of this Town; said Capman is a Mariner and at present employ'd in the Coasting business.

[13.] Mr. Joseph Callender attended, and informed the Selectmen that he has taken into his Family a Gairl named Bethiah Thayer aged about thirteen Years, she belongs to Braintree, but had resided some time in Boston before he took her into his Business service.

Ordered, that the several Constables of the Watch be directed to make their Returns to the Town Clerk the last Monday of every Month, of the Men which belongs to their respective Companys, and the number of Nights on which any one may have absented himself, or left the Watch; and the Clerk is hereby directed to make a deduction from their Monthly Drafts for every nights absence, and to preserve those Returns in the File of Accounts for the Months they are given in, that they may be produced as vouchers when occasion may require it.

The Selectmen taking into consideration the great Expence the Town is at for the maintenance of Strangers who notwithstanding the vigilance of the Officer now employ'd to warn such Persons to depart the Town, do yet conceal themselves so long as to become Inhabitants, have Agreed, That another Person shall be appointed for that service, and that as soon as said Appointment is made

[14.] One of those Officers shall have the more immediate Charge of the North, and the other of the South part of the Town; and that each of those Persons to be paid at the Rate of Twenty Pound p. annum for said service.

Mr. John Cookson acquainted the Selectmen, that he had let an

End of a House in Paddys Alley near the Mill Creek to one John Wormstead, who with his Family came lately to this Town from Shirley Point.

Whereas Mess^{rs}. Joseph Goldthwait, Nathaniel Thayer Nathaniel Gardner & — Allen, were on the tenth Day of March last Appointed by the Selectmen, to be Sealers of Wood brought into this Town by Water; and in the several Orders then delivered them they had their several bounds and Districts Assigned them; upon further Consideration, it is Ordered by the Select men, that the several Bounds and Districts shall now be as follows Viz^t.

Joseph Goldthwait Esq from Charlestown Ferry, to D^r. Clarks Wharf inclusive

M^r. Nathaniel Thayers from Bradfords Wharf to Long Wharf inclusive, also the Wharfs at New Boston

[15.] M^r. Nathaniel Gardners from M^r. Moores Wharf to Wheelwrights Wharf inclusive

M^r. — Allens from Hubbards Wharf to M^r. Peirpoints Wharf inclusive.

But notwithstanding the above Assignments the several Sealers of Wood are to understand, that either of them shall have right to make a seizure of all such Cord Wood as they may find on any of the Wharfs in the Town, which shall not in their opinion answer the description the Law has given respecting Merchantable Cord Wood imported into this Town by Water.

M^r. Cushing is added to the Committee appointed to see Doffings Cellar filled up, and the said Committee are desired to get the breach stop'd which the Sea has made into Alford's Cellar near the Fish Market at Olivers Dock.

At a Meeting of the Honourable His Majestys Justices of the Peace, & the Gentlemen the Selectmen of Boston at Faneuil Hall on the fourteenth Day of April Anno Domini, One thousand seven hundred and Sixty two.

Present

[16.]

Samuel Wells Esq.
 Joshua Winslow Esq
 George Cradock Esq
 John Phillips Esq
 Richard Dana Esq
 John Ruddock Esq
 John Steel Esq
 John Hill Esq
 Belcher Noyes Esq
 William Story Esq
 John Avery Esq.

Justices of the Peace

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Selectmen

Whereas by a Law of this Province made in the fourth Year of the Reign of King William and Queen Mary entitled An Act for building with Stone and Brick in the Town of Boston and preventing Fires, it is among other Things Enacted, that in all void and unbuilt places, which should thereafter be improv'd [17.] For building, or when at any time any total consumption or desolation should happen in any street or lane within the said town, it should be in the power of the Justices of the peace of said town then in being, together with the Selectmen or the major part of both, to state and lay out such streets ways and passage as might be most for the conveniency and accommodation of the place; as also where any desolation hath happened to regulate and enlarge other narrow and crooked lanes; and whereas by a fire on the thirteenth of January Anno Domini 1761 there happened a total desolation of two peices of land in Boston aforesaid adjoining to each other, and lying on the south side of Faneuil Hall Market, that is to say between vacant lands left for the accommodation of said market on the north, and corn market street on the south, one of the said peices of land viz'. the eastermost belonging to Robert Gibbs Esq. being about seventy feet in length, and about fifteen feet in breadth, and bounded at the east end, by the street called Merchants Row, and at the western end by the other of the aforesaid peices of Land which formerly belonged to Thomas Palmer Esq. long since deceased, which is about six and fourty feet long, and about sixteen feet wide at the east end of it next to the said [18.] Robert Gibbs land aforesaid, and about twenty feet wide, at the western end of it, where it abutteth upon other vacant lands left also for the accommodation of the aforesaid market; and for as much as it hath been found by long experience, that the aforesaid street called corn market street, is too narrow, and on enlargement and widening thereof much and long wanted; there fore for the better regulating widening and enlargement of the same Street and passage for the conveniency and accommodation of that place, we Samuel Wells, Joshua Winslow, George Craddock John Phillips Richard Dana, John Ruddock, John Steel, John Hill, Belcher Noyes, William Story and John Avery being the major part of his Majestys Justices of the Peace for the County of Suffolk dwelling in the Town of Boston aforesaid; and we Thomas Cushing, Samuel Hews, John Scollays, Benjamin Austin, Samuel Sewall, Samuel P. Savage and Ezekiel Lewis, being the Selectmen of the said Town, having carefully viewd the same Street, the land and place aforesaid, and duly considered of the premisses, have (pursuant to the power given to us in and by the aforesaid Act) allotted, laid, set off and annexed, and hereby do allot, lay, set off and annex unto the aforesaid Corn Market Street, the two peices of land before [19.] described in their whole and full lengths and breadths, together with so much of the vacant land aforesaid at the west end thereof, as lyeth to the south of a straight line running along by the north or back side of those two aforesaid peices of land, and from thence along on the same course west ward unto the same street where it cometh to a point; all these three peices of land to be part and parcel of the same

street; for ever hereafter — In witness whereof we hereto set our hands at Boston aforesaid this eighth day of April Anno Domini 1762.

THOMAS CUSHING
 SAMUEL HEWS
 JOHN SCOLLAY
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 SAM. P. SAVAGE
 EZEKIEL LEWIS
 SAMUEL WELLS
 JOSHUA WINSLOW
 GEORGE CRADDOCK
 JOHN PHILLIPS
 RICHARD DANA
 JOHN RUDDOCK
 JOHN STEEL
 JOHN HILL
 BELCHER NOYES
 WILLIAM STORY
 JOHN AVERY

Mem^o. Delivered the Clerk of the Sessions the Original of the above.

[20.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 20, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Liberty is hereby granted to Joshua Davis to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in Milk Street, near his House in order to repair his Drain, upon Condition that he forthwith make good the Ground and Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen

M^r. Vere Ross Apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to open a School under M^r. Turners Dancing Masters House, for the Instruction of Youth in the Mathematicks.

Voted, that liberty be granted him accordingly.

M^r. John Doble attended, and informed the Selectmen, that he had taken into his Family a young Woman named Ann Lawrence, who came from the Town of Woburne.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 26, 1762.

Present

[21.] Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Passed upon M^r. Hartley the keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, his Province Accounts, a Copy of which is on File.

Passed upon a number of Accounts, which are on this Months file of Papers, and ordered Drafts to be made on the Town Treasurer, for the amount thereof.

John Baker Master of Engine N — attended, and acquainted the Select men that the Engine under his care was first brought to work at the Fire which broke out a Building near the Old North Meeting House; and desired that the Premium of Thirteen Shillings and four Pence allowed by the Town, may be given them.

Voted, that he have a draft on the Town Treasurer for his Premium accordingly.

Whereas the Ladders ordered by the Town are now finished, The Select men have agreed that they shall be lodged at the several places here under mentioned viz^t.

[22.] Five of the Town Ladders at the North Writing Schools Yard.

Five Ditto, at Mess^r. Box and Austins Rope Walk and near Dr. Mayhews Meeting House

Five Ditto, at the Market

Five Ditto, at D^r. Sewalls Meeting House Yard.

Five Ditto, at William Henshaws Yard, South End.

Five Ditto, near M^r. Byles' Meeting House.

Five Ditto, near M^r. Checkleys Meeting House.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 28, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq

John Scollay Esq

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Nathaniel Hall informed the Selectmen that he has taken into his Family one Hannah Whitmore from the Town of Medfield.

M^r. Thomas Doble informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his House one Marmaduke Blackwood a Foreigner.

[23.] Memorandum, That there is a peice of Land at the South part of the Town near the South Market, which will come into the possession of the Town in the Year 1765, as appears by Record in Town Book, Folio 215.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and ten Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows. Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	8
Wheaten	0	11	4
Houshold	0	15	-
Two Penny White Loaf	0	15	-
Wheaten	1	6	9

	l.	oz.	dr.
Houshold	1	14	1
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	8	11
Houshold	5	9	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	7	7
Houshold	10	10	5
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	11	

Mcm^a a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

[24.] Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In his Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston (within their Precincts) that have an Estate of Forty shillings p. Annum in Freehold in Land within this Province and Territory at the least or other Estate to the value of Forty Pounds Sterling, to Convene at the Town House on Tuesday the eleventh of May Current at nine o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to Elect an^d Depute one or more Persons (being Freeholders and Resident in the Town) according to the number set and limited by an Act of the General Assembly, to serve for and Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly Appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majestys service in the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the twenty sixth Day of said May, and so de Die in Diem, during their Session and Sessions, according to a Precept under the Hand and seal of Stephen Greenleaf Esq. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk bearing date the twenty sixth Day of April in the Second Year of His Majestys Reign Annoque Domini 1762.

[25.] You are alike Required to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town, qualified as the Law directs, to Meet at the same time and place to Consider of the Petition of sundry Inhabitants for Paving Long Lane; Of the Petition of a number of Schoolmasters, praying that some method may be taken by the Town for the more regular payment of their Several Salarys; and of the Petition of M^r. John Vinal Usher of the South Writing School, that a further allowance may be made him; To know whether the Town will take any measures for Rebuilding the Fortification Gates; To choose an Overseer of the Poor in the room of M^r. Isaac Walker deceased, as also two Assessors and such other Officers as may be wanting; And to Act upon all those matters and Things which stand referred over to said Meeting.

A Letter was this Day wrote to the Select men of Roxbury respecting one Joseph Leneau a French Neutral which Letter was as follows. viz^t.

Gentlemen

As Joseph Leneau one of the French Neutrals is Assigned to your Town, who has a Wife & [26.] two Children who are desirous of being with their Husband and Father, we suppose it will not be disagreeable to you, If upon their going to you it should be an objection that they might be a Charge in some here after please to let us know it immediately, and we will then either engage to defrey

the same, or otherwise will permit them to return to this Town again. We are

Sir,

Your humble Servants

SELECT MEN

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 5, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Colson this Day acquainted the Selectmen, that he has taken into his House a Dutch Minister and his Wife who say that they intend shortly to proceed for Halifax in Nova Scotia; the Ministers Name is Martin Shefferd.

[27.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 10, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Voted, that the Rev^d. Ebenezer Pemberton be desired to Open the Town Meeting the 11 of this Instant May with Prayer, and that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Savage be a Committee to acquaint him there with.

Ann Middleton a Soldiers Wife (belonging to Pownelburrrough) was this Day sent to the Alms House by the Select men. to be supported there at the Province Charge, she being sick & destitute of Friends.

At a Meeting of the Select men May 12, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

[28.] Liberty is hereby granted to M^r. Greenough to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in Royal Exchange Lane in order to repair his Drain, upon conditions that he forthwith restore the Ground and Pavement, to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

The following is a List of the Free Negroes in Boston and entred in these Minutes by Order of the Selectmen.

Scipio — late a Servant of Capt. Osbornes
 Scipio, late a Servant of M^r. Apthorp
 Pompy Blackman
 Lank (a Lemmon Merchant, who has been sick)
 Charlestown —————
 Dick, late a Servant to M^r. Tyng, (both sick & lame).
 Toby, living at New Boston
 Boston. (Jackson)
 Cesar Clark (Baker) keeps at M^r. Pollard's Old House.
 Another Negro keeps with y^e above named, his name
 unknown
 Thomas (a Baker) late a Servant to M^r. Knox.
 Homan (late a Servant to the Widow Blackadore
 Joseph, late a Servant to Richard Bill Esq.
 Scipio, late a Servant of Capt. Fayerweather
 Prince Holms

A Negro at Deacon Fosters

[29.] Jack Clemmons, so called
 George Cobourn, he came from Rcding

Thomas m^r. Daniel who has been some time in the Alms House at the charge of the Province being desirous of proceeding for Philadelphia — his Health now permitting.

Mess^{rs}. Austin and Savage are appointed a Committe to provide a passage for said m^r. Daniel to Philadelphia as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 18, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Selectmen were informed that one Isaac Moses a Jew has lately come into this Town, and lives at the House of Palatine Troop in Frog Lane.

M^r. Appleton informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his House one Margaret m^r. Fareland, from Caso Bay.

[30.] Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee to lay out Milk Street.

The Selectmen having enquired into the Circumstances of the Free Negroes in this Town, the time when they were freed and the service they have performed for the Town, do find and Order as follows, Viz^t.

Prince Holmes, has been free 23 years has paid for 12 Days work.

John Thurber - - - - Ditto - - last Novem^r. Days
 Order'd to work - - - - - 2

Pompy Blackman - Ditto - 6 years next Octo ^r .	
ditto -----	20
Fortunatus Pitts - - Ditto 7 ^d next Septem ^r .	
ditto -----	24
Scipio Fayerweather - Ditto 1 ^d next Septem ^r .	
ditto -----	2
Scipio Apthorp - - - Ditto 2 years - - - ditto -----	8
Homer Blackader has been sick since his mistresses death along while -----	0
Peter How, has been free 9 years has work'd 2 Days - ditto -----	30
Richard Tyng - - - Ditto 5 ditto ----- ditto ---	10
Tobias Lockman - Ditto 6 ditto y ^r . 1 March - ditto ---	18
Scipio Gunny - - - Ditto last August - - - - ditto ---	2
Boston Jackson -- Ditto 3 years (has a Rate Bill) ditto ---	6

M^r. John Sweetser was directed to set the above Named Negroes to work upon the High Ways, the number of Days which the Select men have assigned them.

[31.] The Select men having been informed that the South Writing School wanted some Repairs, mess^{rs}. Hews and Sewall were Appointed a Committee to view said School, and direct such Repairs as to them shall appear necessary.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 21, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Samuel Hews Esq
John Scollay Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq
M^r. Sam. Phillips Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Selectmen having taken into consideration a late Vote of the Town relative to the Rebuilding or Repairing of the Fortification Gates.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Sewall be a Committee to view the said Gates, and Report what appears to them to be most for y^r interest of the Town to be done in the affair; as also a proper Plan to effect the same.

[32.] Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Scollay Appointed a Committee to discourse the Selectmen of Roxbury relative to one Leneau a French Neutral, and procure from them an Obligation that in case he becomes a burden to the Town that they will in such case receive him again or defrey the charge that may arise on his remaining here.

At a Meeting of the Select men, May 31, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hewes Esq
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewell Esq
M^r. Samuel Ph Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and ten Pence p Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz'.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	1	8
Wheaten	0	11	4
Houshold	0	15	-
[33.] Two Penny White Loaf	0	15	0
Wheaten	1	6	9
Houshold	1	14	1
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	3	11
Houshold	5	9	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	7	7
Houshold	10	10	5
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	11	-

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

Mess^{rs}. Savage and Scollay Appointed a Committee to prepare an Estimate of the Charge which may arise on the Repairs of M^r. Lovel's House, and to lay it before the Select men as soon as may be.

M^r. Savage Appointed by the Selectmen to acquaint M^r. Jeffries Town Treasurer that a number of Wooden Buildings were Erecting in this Town contrary to Laws, and that it is their desire that the Owners thereof may be prosecuted for those breaches of the Law as soon as may be.

The Buildings informed against are as follows Viz'.

An House at the foot of Bacon Hill, of M^r. Whitmore.

a Ware house in Palmer Pasture, next Milk Street.

a Ware house of John Govels, on the Dock.

[34.] a House in Long Lane of M^r. Thomas Parkers

a new Shop of m^r. Pierpoints near the Fortification

The Select men have this Day agreed, that for the future they will be at their Chamber, for the better dispatch of the Town Business, precisely at three O'Clock P.M. and that no one of their Body, shall presume to withdraw, untill he has obtain'd leave of the whole for so doing.

At a Meeting of the Select men June 2^d. 1763 (sic)

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. John Grant one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1760. having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his $\frac{1}{2}$ part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year

[35.] The Expences of the Clerks of the Market at their Monthly Meetings, having for some time past, exceeded what has been usual; m^r. Ballard at whose Tavern they meet, was sent for, when the Select men acquainted him, and it was their determination, that in case the Expences of the Clerks the ensuing Year should exceed Ten Pounds lawfull Money, what was over would not be discharged by the Town, but would be considered as a private debt.

The Select men having appointed M^r. John Sweetser one of the Persons to Warn Strangers to depart this Town, agreeable to an Act of the General Court; the following Orders were given him.

Boston June 2^d. 1762

M^r. John Sweetser

Sir,

The Selectmen hereby Appoint and im-
power you to make enquiry after all Strangers and other Persons who shall hereafter come into this Town and reside here that are not Inhabitants, and all such of them as you shall apprehend are in low circumstances, you are immediately Warn to depart the Town in fourteen Days, or give security to the satisfaction of the Select men, and this you are to do without any [36.] Further direction from us and when you have done the same you must report to the Selectmen, that they may give such other Orders respecting such Persons, as they shall Judge proper.

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER, TOWN Clerk

Note. You must apply to the Town Clerk for Warrants to Warn Strangers out of Town.

Passed upon several Accounts as on File of Accounts for this Month for which Drafts on the Treasurer were ordered by the Selectmen accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 9, 1762. —

Present

John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mess^{rs}. Austin Sewall and Lewis a Committee to order and inspect the Repairs of a Street lately laid out through Mackrel Lane.

Whereas a number of evil minded Persons have often frusted the design of having a Row of Elm on each [37.] Side of Boston Neck, by breaking or pulling up those Trees, The Selectmen taking into consideration the best method to prevent such abuses in future, and for bringing some late Offenders to Justice; have Ordered; that the Town Clerk put an Advertisement in all the News Papers, offering in their Names a reward of ten Dollars to

any Person who shall give information of such Trespassers so as he or they may be brought to Justice for said offence.

John Baker of Engine N°. — presented Timothy Atkins and Thomas Christy as Suitable Persons for Engine Men in his Company in the room of Samuel Treat and Jonathan Low who have declined the service; when both were approv'd.

Cap^t. Reed of Engine N°. 5. presented Thomas Collier to the Selectmen as a suitable Person for an Engine man in his Company in the room of Joseph Baxter who has declined the service.

Voted, that Thomas Collier he and he hereby is admitted an Engine man in the Company belonging to M^r. Reeds Engine.

Mess^{rs}. Sewall and Lewis Appointed a Committee to view the High Way at the head of Thomas Hubbard Esqs. Land, and report as soon as may be what Repairs are wanted.

[38.] At a Meeting of the Select men, June 11, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

It being represented to the Selectmen, that the Fire was not extinguished in the Ruins of the Buildings at Williams's Court, and that it was not unlikely, but it might increase in y^e Night, to the endangering the Houses near it. The Selectmen Ordered, that William Dorrington & Moses Barnes

Of the North Watch

Isaac Fowles
Robert Chusemon &
Rob^t. m^o. Elroy

of the Dock Watch

Francis Salmon &
Ichabod Williston

of the Town House Watch

& John Roustead

of the South Watch

Attend at William's Court this Evening in order to watch the Fire the whole of the Night, and that they employ themselves in throwing Water upon the same till it is quite extinguish'd

[39.] It was further Ordered by the Selectmen, that Cap^t. Putnams and Capt. Reeds Engines, be placed at said Court there to remain untill the Morning.

At a Meeting of the Select men, June 12, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Voted, that the Gate Way at the Fortification and the Building over it be repair'd, and the Gates remove'd And that the Committee Appointed the 21 of May last to consider what was proper to be done, be desired to see this Vote carried into execution as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 15, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Coll. Phillips and Coll. Jackson of the Regiment of this [40.] Town, attended, and desired of the Selectmen the loan of a set of Carriage Wheels for Four Field Peices belonging to said Regiment, as also that they may be permitted the use of the Gun House at the Battery, for the Storing the same — Whereupon,

Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Hews were Appointed a Committee, to enquire and consider whether it is in the power of the Selectmen to comply with their requests, and to return an answer to said Gentlemen as soon as they are satisfied about it.

Gibbins Sharp Master of Engine N^o. 2. Applied to the Selectmen for an allowance of one Man to his Engine Company over and above the present number; and presented Gibbins Bove as a suitable Person for that service.

Voted, that his request be granted, and that the said Bove who is a Drummer in one of the Companys of our Melitia, and promises to discharge that duty notwithstanding, be and he hereby is Admitted an Engine Man in Cap^t. Sharps Company.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 23^d. 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[41.] M^r. Nathan Speer presented a Petition to the Selectmen praying that they would view the place where he intends Erecting a Building, being at Cotta's Wharf so called, and that they would give their opinion whether a foundation can be obtain'd there for the same without very great expense.

Mess^{rs}. Sutton and Reed, Masters of different Engines apply'd each for the Premium for playing first with their several Engines at the late Fire which broke out at M^r. Bray's Bake house.

After hearing the Partys, and due examination the Premium of thirteen Shillings and four Pence granted by the Town was adjudged to m^r. Sutton Master of the Engine N^o. 7. and the Town Clerk was directed to give him a draft for the same next Draft Day.

Voted, that the Selectmen visit the Publick Schools in this

Town on Tuesday the twenty ninth Day of June Instant and that the following Gentlemen be desired to accompany them therein. Viz^t.

[42.]

The Hon^{ble}. Andrew Oliver Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. William Brattle Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hubbard Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Hancock Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. Harrison Gray Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. John Erving Esq.
 The Hon^{ble}. Benjamin Pratt Esq.
 The Gentlemen the Representatives of the Town.
 The Gentlemen the Overseers of the Poor.
 The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall D.D.
 The Rev^d. Charles Chancy D.D.
 The Rev^d. Jonathan Mayhew D.D.
 The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley
 The Rev^d. Ebenezer Pemberton
 The Rev^d. Samuel Mather
 The Rev^d. Mather Byles
 The Rev^d. Andrew Elliot
 The Rev^d. Samuel Cooper
 The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley Jun^r.
 The Rev^d. Alexander Cummings
 Richard Dana Esq.
 Jeremiah Gridley Esq.
 Roger Hale Esq. Collector of his Majesty's Customs
 Richard Clark Esq.
 Joseph Dowse Esq.
 Epps Sergeant Esq.
 Nathaniel Wheelwright Esq.
 William Sheaffe Esq. Dep. Collector
 John Erving Esq.
 William Blair Townsend Esq.

[43.]

William Story Esq.
 Joshua Henshaw Esq.
 Oxenbridge Thacher Esq.
 Middlecot Cook Esq.
 M^r. Gorden, of South Carolina
 M^r. Limers, of Surinam
 M^r. William Greanleaf
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 Cap^t. Benjamin Hammatt
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 M^r. John Dennie

Ordered, that M^r. Williston give seasonable notice to the several Gentlemen, of this Appointment and that they are desired to meet at the Selectmens Chamber at Nine o' Clock in the Morning of said Day; and that he acquaint the several School Masters there with.

Voted, that there be a Dinner provided for the above Gentlemen on the Day for visiting the Schools.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 28, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

[44.]

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is directed to wait on James Otis Esq. one of the Representatives of the Town for all the Papers in his hands relative to the late valuation, in order to take Copys of the same, for the future use of our Representatives at another valuation.

Liberty is granted M^r. Proctor for taking Paving Stones from the Beach at the bottom of the Common.

William Baker informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his Family as a Maid Servant, one Addleton from the Town of Milton.

Ordered, that M^r. Adams be directed to warn said Addleton to depart this Town, in the manner the law directs.

Mess^{rs}. Hews and Lewis Appointed a Committee to settle with the Town of Roxbury the Charge which has arisen for the support of one Dorcas How at the Alms-House.

Cap^t. John Baker of Engine N. 1. Apply'd to the Selectmen for the addition of one Man to y^e. Company of the Engine under his care, the present number not being in his opinion sufficient [45.] For so large an Engine, and presented Thomas Bradford as a suitable Person for that service.

Voted, that his request be granted, and that the said Bradford be and here by is admitted an Engine Man in M^r. Bakers Company accordingly.

Thomas Parker has liberty granted him by the Selectmen to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in Long Lane in order to clean and repair his Drain, upon condition that he forthwith make good the Ground, and repave the same to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and four Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows—
Viz^t

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	8	2
Wheaten	0	12	13
Houshold	1	0	4
Two Penny White Loaf	1	0	4
Wheaten	1	8	6
Houshold	2	0	4
[46.] Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	9	2
Houshold	6	8	10
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	9	2	4
Houshold	12	13	
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	13	8

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 7, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Samuel Sewall Esq.

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay and Sewall Appointed a Committee, to get the top of the Drain at the Town Dock cover'd over with Clay, and that part of the Dock which the Reservoir is near, filled up; and to do all other things which shall then and there appear to them further necessary.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 12, 1762. —

Present

[47.] Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Mr. Sam. P. Savage

Capt. Robins having made Application to the Select men to know their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he purposes to Erect on his land at Bulls Wharf, without great expence and said Land having been view'd by the Select men,

Voted, That it is their Opinion that no solid foundation can be obtained without very great expence.

M^r. Temple Decoster having made Application to the Select men to know their Opinion, whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he purposes to Erect on his Land at Bulls Wharf without very great Expence; and said Land having been accordingly viewed by the Selectmen,

Voted, That it is the Opinion of the Selectmen that no solid foundation can be obtained for said Building without a very great expence.

M^r. John Pulling having made application to [48.] to the Selectmen to know their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he purposes to Erect on his Land at his Wharf, without great expence, and said Land having been accordingly view'd by the Selectmen, it was Voted,

that it is their Opinion that no solid foundation can be obtained without great expence.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 13, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq

M^r. Samuel Sewall Esq.

Mr. Samuel P. Savage

Mess^{rs}. Green and Fellows two of the Clerks of the Market, appeard, and informd the Selectmen, that they were this Morning in execution of their trusts upon search for Bread in order to view weigh and try the same, when several of the Town Bakers; viz. M^r. Syrcomb, M^r. m^o.Neal, and M^r. Serien would not permit or suffer any search or seizure to be made, but did actually oppose and hinder the same. They there fore pray'd the the Opinion of the Select men as to a prosecution, and if it should be their sentiments, that they might in that case be directed to proper Council at the charge of the Town — Whereupon —

[49.] Voted, that it is the Opinion of the Selectmen that said Bakers should be prosecuted, and that the Clerks of the Market who have entred their Complaint be directed to apply unto James Otis Esq. and M^r. Oxenbridge Thacher who are Council for the Town to conduct those Prosecutions at the publick Expence.

Voted, that M^r. Robert Pierpoint be desired to cover the Street leading from the Fortification Gates, into Town with Gravel and such other Materials as shall make a firm and good Way there; and that Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Scollay be a Committee to see it perfected.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Austin and Savage be a Committee to contrive the Gutter from D^r. Noyes' into the Drain near the Watch house, in such a manner as shall carry off the Water & so as may prevent any nuisance before the Maket.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Sewall be a Committee to see that the Two Receivers on the North side of y^e Drain near the Market be cleansed, and put into proper order, and that the Pavement near the Conduit be repair'd and perfected.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 13, 1762.

Present

[50.]

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Samuel Sewall Esq.

The Select men having been informd, that Cap^t. Coombs Master of the Schooner Repulse, is stop at Rainsford Island as having the Small Pox on board — the following Directions were given the Keeper of the Hospital on that Island — viz^t.

Boston July 14. 1762

M^r. Thomas Hartley

Sir

As the Schooner Repulse William Coombs Master, has the Small Pox on board and is now at your Island our Orders to you are, to take the best care you can of the Men that are sick on board, and when they can be removed to the Hospital with safety, let it be done but not before let those Persons who have not had

the Small Pox be taken on Shore to the Well House, and not suffered by any means to depart the Island; let the Vessell be smoak'd and cleansed as soon as it can conveniently be done, and Report to us; those Persons who have had the Distemper you may let depart after they are sufficiently cleansd, and have a new shift of Cloaths from [51.] Town; let no Person come upon the Island but by our permission, take care to be secured by the Capt. for what charge may arise upon Account of this Sickness

By Order of the Select men,

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

The following Letter was wrote Cap^t. Coombs,

Boston July 13. 1762

Capt William Coombs

Sir,

We received yours by M^r. Hartley informing us of your arrival at Rainsford Island having the Small Pox on board your Vessell, we are sorry for your misfortune, and have given M^r. Hartley Orders concerning everything relating to your Vessell and Men, you must not do or suffer anything to be done but by his direction—we shall dismiss you and your Vessell so scon as it can be done with safety of the whole.

Your humble Servants

THE SELECT MEN

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 14, 1762. P.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

[52.]

Benjamin Auston Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Gibbins Sharp of Engine N 2. Apply'd for the Premium for working first with his Engine at the Fire which lately broke out at Hutchinsons Wharf.

Voted, that he have a draft for the Premium of Thirteen Shillings and four Pence allowed by the Town, next Draft Day.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and ten Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	8
Wheaten	0	11	4
Houshold	0	15	—
Two Penny White Loaf	0	15	—
Wheaten	1	6	9
Houshold	1	14	1
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	8	11
Houshold	5	9	11
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	7	7
[53.] Twelve Penny Houshold Bread	10	10	5
Four Penny Brick Loaf	10	11	5

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 19, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq

Samuel Sewall Esq

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley Reported to the Selectmen — That he had sufficiently smoak'd and cleansed the Schooner Repulse Williams Coombs Master, which has lain for some days past at Rainsfords Island, that there was nothing now on board liable to retain any infection, and that it is his Opinion said Vessell may leave the Island, with the utmost safety to the Inhabitants.

Voted, that the above named Schooner has liberty to leave Rainsfords Island, provided all charges are first defrey'd by the Master — and that Certificates be given accordingly.

[54.]

Boston July 19, 1762

M^r. Thomas Hartley

Sir

You having Reported to us that the Schooner Repulse William Coombs Master, which has been for some Days detained at Rainsfords Island, is now sufficiently smoaked and cleansed, and that there is nothing now on board liable to retain any Infection, so that she may in your Opinion leave the Island with the utmost safety to the Inhabitants. It is therefore our Orders that you permit said Vessell to depart after the Captain has satisfied you for all the Charge that has arisen upon Account of her detention

By Order of the Select men

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 26, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

The Selectmen passed the Accounts of this Month, and Ordered Drafts to be made on the Treasurer accordingly.

The Selectmen this Day agreed with M^r. Joseph Foye [55.] To take the Charge of the Pest House or Hospital at New Boston, and delivered him the Keys of the same accordingly.

Mess^{rs}. Hews and Cushing Appointed a Committee to examin into the Town Stock of Powder, and to Report as soon as may be the Quantity and conditions thereof.

Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee to provide a sufficient Stock of Bullets and Flints for y^e use of the Town, and to see that all the Fire Arms are put in Order as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 4, 1762. M^r. Thomas Walley desired liberty to Erect a Number of Posts with Rails before his Shop near the Town Dock.

Voted, that Liberty be granted him accordingly, he observing the proper distance from said Shop.

M^r. Thomas Gray Applied to the Selectmen for their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be obtain'd for a Building he purposes to erect on his Wharf which is next M^r. Griffins — when Mess^{rs}. Sewall and Lewis were appointed a Comm^{ee}. to view said Land.

[56.] Mess^{rs}. Hews and Cushing a Committee Appointed the 29 of July last to examin the Town Stock of Powder & Report,

That they had attended that business, and upon examination find that there is in the Powder House — viz^t

Thirteen Barrels of Gun Powder &
Nineteen half Barrels of ditto

all which Powder they directed M^r. Loyd the Keeper of the Powder House to open shift and dry, that so it may be known what part of it is unfit for use and damaged.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be directed to publish in all the News Papers, the Law relative to Hucksters Forstalling the Market.

At a Meeting of the Select men, August 11, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mr. John Nevel appeard, and acquainted the Selectmen that he had taken into his family as a Servant one Mercy Spring from Watertown.

[57.] M^r. Angus Gair appeard, and acquainted the Selectmen that he has taken into his Family as a Maid one — Coffin from Nantucket.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 16, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

James Otis Esq appeard, and acquainted the Selectmen that he had taken into his Family as a Servant a one ——— from Newfoundland.

The Selectmen passed upon the List of Persons licensed the last Year to sell strong drink both as Inholders and Retailers within this Town; and at the same time which was the 81st. of

last Month passed upon the Petitions for Licenses for the Year ensuing, and the following Persons only were approved and recommended viz^t.

John Potter, living at an House at the South End adjoining M^r. Blakes — as an Inholder

[58.] Rebecca Coffin, living at the Crown Coffee House as an Inholder.

Mary Foster, living at the head of Coll. Nobles Wharf, as an Inholder.

Mary Simpson, at her House where M^r. Cowell dwelt as an Inholder

Thomas Chase at his Distilling House in Auchmuty's Lane, as a Retailer.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	5
Wheaten	0	11	-
Houshold	0	14	10
Two Penny White Loaf	0	14	10
Wheaten	1	6	-
Houshold	1	13	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	1	15
Houshold	5	6	15
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	3	14
Houshold	10	11	4
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	10	4

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf must weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. white Loaf.

[59.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 20, 1762. — Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley appeared and acquainted the Selectmen that the Schooner Meriah Daniel Stuart late Master belonging to Cape Ann was stopt at Rainsford Island, having on her passage from St. Kitts had the Small Pox on board, of which Distemper the Master died; No one of the Hands is sick with that illness at present, and but three of them are liable to take the Infection, the rest having had the Small Pox formerly.

Voted, that the following Orders be given M^r. Hartley.

Boston, August 21, 1762.

M^r. Thomas Hartley

Sir.

By information from you, the Schooner Meriah Daniel Stuart late Master is arrived from St. Kitts, on board which Vessell the Master lately died with the Small Pox — Our

directions to you therefore are, that those Persons who have not had the Small Pox be taken on shore, and that they be confined to the Well house — that all the Cloaths Bed Bedding, and everything that is on [60.] Board which is capable of taking Infection be brought on Shore and properly cleansed, that the Vessell also be well cleansed and smoked, and that no Person be allowed to go on Shore till further Orders.

Your humble Serv^{ts}.

SELECTMEN

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 23^d, 1762. M^r. Hartley informed the Selectmen that the Briggantine Polly Daniel Marquond Master belonging to Newbury was arrived at Rainsford Island from Gaudoloop, having four Persons now on board sick with the Small Pox, the other three Persons on board have had that Distemper on their passage but are now well.

Voted, that the following Orders be given M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island.

Boston, August 23^d., 1762.

M^r. Thomas Hartley

Sir,

Being informed by your self and m^r.

Nathaniel Tayler, that the Briggantine Polly Daniel Marquond Master from Gaudoloop is at your Island and has the Small Pox on board, three Persons being now sick [61.] with That Distemper, the remaining part of the Crew having had it on their passage but now well.

Our directions to you are that as soon as possible you get the sick Persons on shore, and also the Beds Bedding and everything capable of retaining any infection, and that the Vessell be properly cleansed. You must not suffer any Person to come on Shore, untill further Orders from us, We are

Your Friends & Servants

THE SELECTMEN.

Complaint having been made to the Selectmen by Samuel Wentworth Esq. and others, that one of the Town Bulls is unruly and mischeivous, and has done great damage by breaking into Inclosers and destroying the Vegetables &c.

Voted, that the said Bull shall be killed, and that M^r. Procter the Master of the Alms house be desired to see the same done, and the Meat salted down for the use of said House.

Voted, that m^r. Lewis be desired to agree with Jeremiah [62.] Gridley Esq. for a Bull he has offered for Sale upon the best terms he can, in order to replace the one ordered to be killed.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 25, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Jacob Knoble apply'd to the Selectmen some Days, past for

liberty to make a new Drain from his House in Cow Lane, into the Common Shore at Summer Street.

Elizabeth Erving appeared, and acquainted the Selectmen that she had taken into her family one William Pulling and Wife who came from Newfoundland in Cap^t. Horne.

Hugh Hall Esq. appeared and acquainted the Selectmen, that he had admitted into his House as Tenants the 21 August Instant, the following Persons, Viz^t Matthew Gramtado his Wife and three Children, who came here from Newfoundland,— he is a Fisherman or Labourer.

[63.] William Human his Mother Wife and three Children, they came from Newfoundland, said Human is a Fisherman or Labourer.

Joseph Potell his Wife and Six Children, he is a Boat Builder by trade, but kept a Publick House at St. Johns Newfoundland before he left that place.

Voted, that Samuel Whentworth Esq. have liberty to dispose of the Town Bull which has done him so much mischief at his Farm on the Neck.

Voted, that the Bull left in the Common being old and insufficient, be disposed of to M^r. Thadeus Wyman of Cambridge, who offers for the same Forty eight Shillings Lawful Mony, and that M^r. Scollay be desired to receive the Mony.

Mess^{rs}. Hewes and Sewall Appointed a Committee to view the South Writing School, and Report whether it appears to them necessary that the Roof of the House should be Slated.

Complaint having been made the Select men that the Chimnes of M^r. Blowers House in Long Lane are [64.] insufficient and dangerous.

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Daws and Richard Honnywell were impowered and desired to make a survey on the same, and Report as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Select men, August 26, 1762 —

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Mr. Thomas Hartly Reported, that the Briggantine Polly Daniel Marquand master which has been detain'd at Rainsford Island for sometime past upon Account of her having lately had the Small Pox on board, is now thoroughly smoked and cleansed, and that it is his Opinion she may be permitted to leave the Island with the utmost safety to the Inhabitants.

Voted. that said Briggantine Polly may be permitted to depart from Rainsford Island, and come up to Town, if the Owner sees cause, in consequence of the above Reports, and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

A Certificate of the above Vessells being in Circumstances to come up to Town was sent to his Excellency and is as follows.

[65.] May it please your Excellency.

The Briggantine Polly Daniel Marquond Master from West Indies lately ordered to Rainsfords Island as having the Small Pox on board has been sufficiently smoked and air'd and cleaused, and we are of opinion she may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants if your Excellency think fit, We are,

Your Excellency's Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

Selectmen of Boston	{	JOHN SCOLLAY BENJAMIN AUSTIN SAMUEL SEWALL EZEKIEL LEWIS
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To His Excell^y. Francis Bernard Esq.

Boston, August 26, 1762

The following Orders were given M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital on Rainsfords Island.

M^r. Thomas Hartley
Sir,

Boston, August 26, 1762

You having reported to us that you had so cleaused and smoak'd the Briggantine Polly Daniel Marquond Master lately ordered to Rainsfords Island as having the Small Pox on board, so that she is now in circumstances to come up to Town, without endangering the health of the Inhabitants. Our Orders are that you permit said Briggantine to leave the Island provided the Captain [66.] Give you security for defreying the whole charge that has arisen by the detention of the Vessell at said Island.

Your Friends & Ser^{ts}.

THE SELECTMEN OF BOSTON

M^r. Samuel Stone presented a Petition to the Selectmen praying that he may be licensed to Retail Rum &c. at his Distilling House near the Green Dragon, which Petitioner was approbated and recommended accordingly.

M^r. Robert Sloan presented a Petition to the Selectmen praying that he may be permitted to retail Rum &c. at his Distilling House near the Flood Gates New Boston which Petitioner was approbated and recommended accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 30, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Selectmen passed upon the Accounts of this, for which Drafts were ordered on the Treasurer accordingly

[67.] Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings and two Pence p. Bushel for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for

their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	7	2
Wheaten	0	10	11
Houshold	0	14	4
Two Penny White Loaf	0	14	4
Wheaten	1	5	6
Houshold	1	12	8
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	4	2	3
Houshold	5	5	9
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	0	5
Houshold	10	11	2
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	9	8

Mem. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is directed to furnish the Bakers as often as the Assize is Ordered with twelve of the Assizes; the Clerks of the Market with twelve and to Post up two more.

[68.] Mess^{rs}. Cushing and Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee to enquire into the Circumstances of the People lately sent to the Hospital, who came here from New Foundland; as also what Necessarys are wanting for the Hospital and to Report the Next Meeting.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 1, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Complaint having been made that the Chimnies of m^r. Honnywells House near Bulls Wharf are insufficient and dangers.

Mess^{rs}: Thomas Daws and George Ray were impowered and desired to take a survey of the same, and make Report to the Selectmen as soon as may be.

The Select men were this Day informed that Mess^{rs}. Andrew and James Drummond, two single Men, and Shoemakers by trade, had come to this Town from Scotland with design to settle in this place.

[69.] Royal Tyler Esq. in the Name of the Overseers applied to the Selectmen for liberty to open a piece of Ground in the Common opposite the Workhouses for a Sink to receive the Waste Water and filth from the Alms-house & Work house.

Voted, that liberty be granted accordingly, the Overseers, taking proper care that the same be covered, and the Sods that are taken off are replaced.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r 8, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley having Reported that Samuel Brockings Thomas Clarke and Josiah Wells who have lately had the Small Pox at the Pest House, are now well and may leave the Island with safety to the Inhabitants — whereupon,

Voted, That the following Orders be given to M^r. Hartley.

[70.] Sir,

You having Reported to us that Samuel Brockings Thomas Clarke and Josiah Wells who have lately had the Small Pox are now well; we consent that you permit the said three Men to depart the Island after being shifted and cleansed properly, provided you secure the charge you have been at on Account of their sickness.

Your Friends & Servants

SELECT MEN.

M^r. Samuel Procter was directed by Mess^{rs}. Hews and Scollay two of the Selectmen to receive into the Alms house on the Province Account one Frances Day who came to this Town, from St. Johns Newfoundland (via Newbury) and has not where withall to support himself.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 15, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[71.] M^r. James Bernard Master of Engine N^o. 3. presented Elkonah Hayden as a suitable Person for an Engine Man in his Company in the room of Joshua Loring dismiss'd from the service.

Voted, that said Hayden be and hereby is Admitted an Engine Man in M^r. Bernards Company in y^e. room of M^r. Loring dismiss'd.

Cap^t. Fortesque Vernon having made Application to the Select men to know their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he purposes to Erect on his wharf at the North part of the Town, without great expence, and said Land having been view'd by the Select men accordingly.

Voted, that it is the Opinion of the Selectmen that no solid foundation can be obtain'd for said Building without very great Expence.

The Selectmen having been acquainted that a number of Transport Vessels were arrived in our Harbour from Hallifax in the Province of Nova Scotia, having on board a great many Accadians or French Neutrals, brought here by Order of the Government of that Province, as also [72.] That some of those People had actually been landed in this Town — where upon —

Voted, that M^r. Thomas Williston be directed to take a Boat and go on board the Transport, now in the Harbour, in order to

enquire out the names of those Vessells and their Commanders to be immediately returned the Select men.

M^r. Williston attended and acquainted the Select men, that there was now in this Harbour the following Vessells with Accadians on board — viz^t.

The Ship Lyon, - - -	Love Pennell	Commander
Ship Exchange - - -	Michael Pele	- D ^o .
Snow Charming Nancy -	Francis Haynes	- D ^o .
Schooner Chang. Nancy -	John Melony	- D ^o .
Sloop Dispatch - - -	William Scott	- D ^o .
Snow Hopson - - -	Thomas Dood	- D ^o .

The Select men having considered of this matter, Agreed upon a Letter to be deliver'd each of the above Captains by M^r. Williston, which Letter was in the Words, following — viz^t.

Boston, September 1762

Sir,

Being informed that you have a number of Accadians on board the Vessell you Command, which you have brought from Halifax in Nova Scotia, in Company [73.] With a number of of other Transports, being also informed that some of them have been landed from on board said Transports —. For your government with respect to this matter we would inform you, that by the Laws of this Province you cannot suffer any of your Passengers to land without first returning a list of them into the Import Office and giving Bond to prevent their being a Town or Province Charge, under the penalty of One hundred Pounds Lawful Mony, for every Passenger you so suffer to land, we therefore give you this notice that you may avoid the Penalty aforementioned, as you may depend we shall exact the same unless you strictly adhere to the Law in this case made and provided.

Your Most Hum. Servants

SELECT MEN.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 22, 1762 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[74.] M^r. Francis Salmon, Constable of the Town House Watch appear'd and acquainted the Select men, that he had pretty certain intelligence, that a number of disorderly Young Persons had formed a design to attack his Watch the ensuing Night, whereupon,

Voted, that M^r. Salmon be directed and impowered to procure what extraordinary help he may Judge necessary for the support of the Watch this Night.

Hugh Hall Esq. appear'd and informed the Select men that he had admitted into his House in Lyn Street near Cap^t. Greenwood's Mast yard, as a Tennant, one James Howell a Fisherman.

Liberty is hereby granted M^r. Samuel Phillips Savage to dig up

the Pavement and open the Ground in the Lane leading from Brattle Square to Wings Lane in order to repair his Drain; upon condition that he forthwith make the Ground, and restore the Pavement to the satisfaction of the Select men.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings and eight Pence p. [75.] Bushell for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushell is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz'.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	-	6 - 10
Wheaten	0	-	9 - 15
Hous hold	0	-	13 - 4
Two Penny White Loaf	0	-	13 - 4
Wheaten	1	-	3 - 4
Houshold	1	-	10 - 8
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	3	-	11 - 9
Hou-hold	4	-	15 - 7
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	-	7 - 3
Houshold	9	-	14 - 14
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	-	7 - 8

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf is to weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay and Sewall Appointed a Committee to get Leaveret Lane opened into Milk Street.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Septem^r. 27, 1762 (*sic*)

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq

[76.]

Voted, that M^r. Thomas Williston be directed to warn all such Persons at the Hospital under M^r. Foyes care, as are now so well as to be able to get their livelihood by labour, to depart said House, acquainting them at the same time that it is the determination of the Selectmen, that such of them as are sick and infirm and so incapable of caring for themselves shall still be supported at the Publick Expence

At a Meeting of the Select men, September 21, 1762

It is Agreed upon and Ordered that Fryday the twenty fourth of this Instant September be the time for running the Line and renewing the Bound Marks between the Town of Boston and the Town of Roxbury, and that the Select men, Viz'. Thomas Cushing, Samuel Hews, John Scollay, Benjamin Austin. & Samuel Sewall Esq. M^r. Samuel Phillips Savage, and Ezekiel Lewis Esq. or any two of them be a Committee for and in behalf of the Town of Boston fully Authoris'd and Impower'd to join with such Persons as

the Selectmen [77.] Of Roxbury shall Appoint and Impower to attend and perform the same, and that all Persons concerned therein be and hereby are desired to meet at the House of M^r. John Greateon at the Sign of the Grey Hound in Roxbury at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon of said Day in order to attend the said business. And the Town Clerk is here by directed to give seasonable notice by a Letter to the Selectmen of Roxbury of this Appointment, desiring them to Appoint and Impower a Committee in the behalf of the Town of Roxbury, to Join with us in that service accordingly. But if the Weather should prove wet and apparently unsuitable for the performance of said work on the Day above mentioned, then the same to be attended and performed on the Wednesday following (viz'.) on Wednesday the twenty ninth of September Current to meet at the said place at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon.

The following Letter was wrote to the Selectmen of Roxbury —
Viz'.

Boston, September 21, 1762.

Gentlemen

These are to Notify you that this Year is the time wherein according to Law we are required [78.] To run the Boundary Line betwixt this Town and the Town of Roxbury. You are therefore desired to Appoint and Impower a Committee to Join with that of ours for the performance of that Service, and that they meet us at the House of m^r. John Graton at the Sign of the Grey Hound in Roxbury on Fryday the twenty fourth of this Instant September at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon. — The Persons Appointed in be half of this Town, are the Select men. (Viz'.)

Thomas Cushing, Samuel Hews, John Scollay, Benjamin Austin, Samuel Sewall Esq. m^r. Samuel Phillips Savage and Ezekiel Lewis Esq. and they or any two of them are Impower'd, to run the Line, and renew the Bound marks between the said Town of Boston and Roxbury accordingly.

But if the Weather on the said twenty fourth of September, Instant should prove wet and unsuitable for the performance of this Work, then we do propose and Appoint to attend the same on the Wednesday following (viz'.) on Wednesday the Twenty ninth of this Instant September to meet at the said place at ten O'Clock in the Forenoon.

By Order of the Select men

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

[79.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 24, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel P. Savage

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Select men of Boston in Concert with the Select men of Roxbury Attended the Perambulation betwixt the Two Towns this

Day. A Report whereof is here Recorded and is as follows —
Viz'.

Pursuant to Agreement we the Subscribers Met at the time and place Appointed, and run the Line and renewed the Ancient Bound Marks, between the said Town of Boston and the Town of Roxbury, beginning at the Mouth of the Creek which Opens into the Bay leading to Cambridge and so goes as the Creek runs untill it comes to a Range with the Fence and Trees which parts between Aaron Davis's Land (formerly Mr. Nathaniel Brewers), [80.] And Samuel Wells Esq. Land, (formerly called Mr. Minots then across the Street or High Way till it comes to a large Stone standing end way in the Fence, and from thence to a Stump with a heap of Stones about Eighty feet from the High Way, and from thence streight to a little Knowl upon the Edge of the Creek, a Corner of the Bounds where stands a Stake Marked B in the Easterly side and R on the Westerly side, and from thence Easterly as the Creek runs till it comes to a Stake marked B. on one side and R on the other in Coll. Lambs Dam, and from thence as the Creek runs into the Bay between Boston and Dorchester. Dated the twenty fourth Day of September, Anno Domini 1762.

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
SAM. PH. SAVAGE
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Select men of Boston

SAMUEL HEATH
JOHN DAVIS
EBENEZ^r. NEWELL
EBEN^r. PIERPOINT

Select men of Roxbury

At a Meeting of the Select men, Septem^r. 29, 1762. —

Present

[81.]

John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

It being thought necessary that the Town House Watch of which Mr. Francis Salmon is Constable, should be strengthened.

Ordered, that Mr. Salmon have for the future Seven Men in said Watch including himself — That Mr. Samuel M^r. Clure Constable of the Dock Watch dismiss one Man from his said Watch, when there will still belong to it including himself Seven hands —

And that from this time the Constables Salmon and Mc. Clure divide the duty of the Eastern round between them.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Septem^r. 27, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

[82.] The Select men passed upon the Accounts of this Month for which Drafts were Ordered to be made on the Treasurer accordingly.

The Selectmen this Day passed upon M^r. Samuel Procter Keeper of the Alms House his two Accounts with the Province amounting to £19- 1/- and £236-2-7-

The Town Clerk is hereby directed to take a fair List of all the Newfoundlanders lately arrived here, as appears by the Impost Masters Books. — as also a List of all those who came here in the Carteel Vessel from Newfoundland, which may be had of Joseph Foye Keeper of the Hospital at New Boston.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Hews and Sewall be a Committee to get the Roof of the School House in the Common Slated if they shall apprehend that said Roof will bear it.

The Select men on Tuesday the twenty ninth Day of June last, Visited the Publick Schools pursuant to a Vote of the Town at their Annual Meeting in March last, accompanied by the following Gentlemen, Viz^t.

- [83.] The Honourable William Brattle Esq.
 The Honourable John Erving Esq.
The Honourable John Erving Esq. (sic)
 The Honourable Thom^s. Hubbard Esq.
 The Honourable Thomas Hancock Esq.
 The Representatives of the Town
 The Overseers of the Town
 The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall D. D.
 The Rev^d. Charles Chancey D. D.
 The Rev^d. Jonathan Mayhew D. D.
 The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley
 The Rev^d. Ebenezer Pemberton
 The Rev^d. Samuel Mather
 The Rev^d. Mather Byles
 The Rev^d. Andrew Elliot
 The Rev^d. Samuel Cooper
 The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley Jr.
 The Rev^d. Alexander Cummins
 Joshua Henshaw Esq.
 Richard Dana Esq.
 Middlecott Cook Esq.
 Jeremiah Gridley Esq.
 Joseph Dowse Esq.
- [84.] Epes Sergeant Esq.
 Roger Hale Esq. Collector of his Majestys Customs.
 Richard Clark Esq.

William Story Esq.
 William Blair Townsend Esq.
 John Erving Esq.
 M^r. John Dennie
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 M^r. Gorden - - - - - a Stranger.
 M^r. Limers - - - - - Ditto
 M^r. William Greenleaf
 Oxenbridge Thacher Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 Capt. Benjamin Hammatt

And found the South Grammar School had 119 Scholars the North Grammar School 68 Scholars, The South Writing School 236 Scholars, the North Writing School 176 Scholars, the Writing School in Queen Street 238 Scholars, all in very good Order.

[85.] The following is a List of the Persons in the Alms House on Province Account and Charge, taken the thirtyeth Day of June, 1762.

Persons	When received
Ephraim Goggin } Mary Goggin } Child }	February 5 - - - - 1762
Edward m ^r . Gown - - - - -	December 11 - - - - 1758
Isaac Orr - - - - -	December 31 - - - - 1761
William Manning - - - - -	December 10 - - - - 1760
Archibald m ^r . Lane. (blind) - -	October 11 - - - - 1761
John Walden (lost one Leg) - -	December 1 - - - - 1761
John Forbes - - (blind) - -	December 9 - - - - 1761
Samuel Nickolson - - - - -	December 31 - - - - 1761
John Hoar - - - - -	April 19 - - - - 1762
Mary Webb - - - - -	April 26 - - - - 1760
Ann Tyrrell - - - - -	January 14 - - - - 1762
Anna Smith - - - - -	February 15 - - - - 1762
Two Children	
Abigail Ellson and Child - - -	February 10 - - - - 1762
Anna Middleton - - - - -	May 10 - - - - 1762
Abigail Hicks and Child - - -	June 9 - - - - 1762

The following Certificate was given Joseph Goldthwait [86.] Esq Last April — Viz^t.

Boston April ——— 1762

We the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Boston hereby Certify all concerned that pursuant to the power given us by an Order or By Law of the Town passed the twelfth Day of December Anno Domini 1757. We have Agreed with Joseph Goldthwait Esq. of Boston to sweep or cause to be swept the Chimnies within the Town, and Appoint him to that Employment accordingly, and he has given security to our satisfaction, for performing his duty in that place for one Year from date.

We therefore prohibit any other person or persons either by himself or Servant to undertake the sweeping of any Chimnie in this Town, except such Chimnie or Chimnies as are under his or

their own improvement, as by the Law aforesaid they forfeit ten Shillings for every such offence.

THOMAS CUSHING
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston.

[87.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 7, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Stephen Greanleaf Master of Engine N. 9. appeared and acquainted the Selectmen, that three of his Company, viz^t. Joseph Wheeler, Samuel Harris and Benjamin Bass were desirous of leaving that service, and proposed William Pennyman, John Greanleaf and Ambrose Searl as Proper Persons in their room.

Voted, that the above named William Putnam, John Greanleaf and Ambrose Searl be and hereby are admitted as Engine men in said Company.

Katharine Fox a Soldiers Wife lately arrived from Newfoundland in Schooner York, James Carlisle Master belonging to Old York, apply'd to the Selectmen for relief, or that they would procure her a passage to Philadelphia, her proper home.

[88.] Voted, that Cap^t. Hews be desired to procure the said Katharine Fox a passage to Philadelphia, in Cap^t. Whitmarsh bound there; and that he apply to Cap^t. Carlisle for the Expence, she may occasion, and in case of his refusing payment; that he be prosecuted according to Law.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Savage be a Committee to see things put in proper order in the Selectmen's Chamber at Faneuil Hall; and that the Town Clerk is to follow their directions in the removal of the Books, Papers, &c. from the Town House to said Chamber.

Information being given the Selectmen, that the Yellow Fever is very brief in Philadelphia, which Distemper was brought there as conjectur'd from the Havannah as also that the Small Pox is at New York.

Voted that Application be made to his Honor the Lieutenant Governor for an Order to the Commanding Officer at Castle William, to stop all Vessells coming from the Havannah Philadelphia and New York and prevent their coming up to Town untill further Orders.

[89.] The following Letter was wrote His Honor the Lieutenant Governor, in consequence of the information given as Recorded on the other side.

May it please your Honor

Information having been given us that the Yellow Fever is very brief at Philadelphia which it is said was brought there from the Havannah, as also that the Small Pox is rife at New York. We think it our duty to acquaint your Honor therewith, and to request that you will be pleased to Order the Commanding Officer at Castle William to stop all Vessells coming from those three places, untill proper enquiry be made into the circumstances of such Vessells — We are

Your Most Oed^t. Hum. Ser^{ts}.

SELECTMEN OF BOSTON

Boston October 7. 1762

To His Honor the Lieu^t. Governor

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 8, 1762.

[90.]

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Committee Appointed to survey M^{rs}. Blowers Chimnies Reported as their Opinion that the complaint was just, and said Chimnies so insufficient & dangerous that no fire should be made therein while they remain in such condition — Copys of said Warrant & Return are as follows, Viz^t.

Sirs

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of the House in Long Lane owned by m^{rs}. Blowers are insufficient and dangerous. We do desire and impower you to survey the same, and Report to us your Judgement concerning them.

THOMAS CUSHING

BENJ^s. AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

Boston Septem^r. 1. 1762

To Thom^s. Daws Esq^r. & M^r. Rich^d. Hunnywell.

[91.]

Boston, October 4. 1762

To the Gent^{rs}. Selectmen

The Subscribers have carefully surveyed the Chimnies of the House in Long Lane owned by M^{rs}. Blowers and Report as follows — That the four Chimnies in the Garrets are insufficient and dangerous, that it's quite unsafe for fire to be made therein — also that it is very necessary that the Floors round the Chimnie in the Closets of the Chambers, should be taken up so that the Chimnies may be plastered on the outsides as there is appearance of danger from the Smoke coming through the Joints of

the Boards of the Floor, otherwise the Owner may loose her Houses and the Neighborhood be greatly endangered by Fire.

THOMAS DOWS

RICH^d. HUNNEWELL

In consequence of the above Return, the following Order was sent M^r. Brooks, the Person who occupys M^r. Blowers House
M^r. William Brooks

Upon Complaint made by a number of the Inhabitants of the Town, of defects in [92.] The Chimnies of the House occupied by you, We issued our Warrant for a survey, a Copy of the Return, on said Warrant you have above. Agreeable to the direction of the Law in that case made and provided, we hereby warn you not to make any Fire in said Chimnies till the defects are cured either by amending repairing or rebuilding said Chimnies as you would avoid the penalty of said Law.

By Order of the Selectmen

Boston, Octo^r. 8. 1762

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

The By Law or Order of the Town relative to Wood and Bark brought to this Town by Land having passed the Sessions; the Select men took into consideration what was necessary to be done in order to carry said Law into execution therefore

Voted, that there be three Persons Appointed as Measurers of all such Wood and Bark.

Voted, that m^r. John Potter be and hereby is appointed a Measurer of all Wood and Bark brought into Town by Land.

Voted, that M^r. Eliphalet Parker be and hereby is [93.] Appointed a Measurer of all such Wood and Bark as shall be brought into this Town by Land.

Voted, that M^r. Nathaniel Thayer be and hereby is appointed a Measurer of Wood and Bark brought into this Town by Land.

Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Savage Appointed a Committee to procure Gauging Rods for the Admeasurements of Wood and Bark brought into this Town by Land.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 13, 1762.

Cap^t. Arthur Savage acquaints the Select men that he has taken into his House at the South End as a Tennant one Thomas Edes from Charlestown.

Benjamin Cooper appear'd and acquainted the Selectmen that he had received into his House, two Men, Viz^t. Benjamin Labree from Newbury, and Richard Levas from West Indies.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, October 15, 1762. —

Present

[94.]

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis

Mess. Cushing and Scollay Appointed a Committee to Repair

the Way by the Fortification, by getting the Rubbish removed, and laying on as much Gravel as to them shall appear necessary.

The Selectmen taking into consideration the Vote of the Town relative to Repairing the Fortification Gates, Agreed, to defer said Repairs to a more favourable season of the year.

The Town Clerk is directed to get Printed in all the Publick News Papers, Extracts from the Law relative to Cord Wood brought in by Water.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, October 20, 1762.

Present

[95.]

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis

Capt. James Bernard of Engine N. 3. presented Elkanah Hayden as a suitable Person for an Engine Man in his Company in the room of Joshua Loring dismissed from the service.

Voted, that said Hayden be and hereby is Admitted an Engine Man in M^r. Bernards Company in the room of M^r. Loring who is dismiss'd.

M^r. Andrew Lepar having made Application to the Selectmen for their Opinion whether a solid foundation can be had for a Building he proposes to erect on his Land near Oliver's Dock, without great Expence, and said Land having been view'd by the Selectmen.

Voted, that it is their Opinion that no solid foundation can be obtained without a very great Expence.

Thomas Goldthwait Esq. to whom Deer Island, is Leased proposed to the Select men to lay a Stone Wall of Ten Rod in [96.] Length as a security to the Head of that Island from the violence of the Sea, and if it answers that end, to be allow'd by the Town Ten Dollars; but in case it should prove ineffectual, then to have but Five Dollars, for his trouble and Expence, whereupon,

Voted that M^r. Goldthwaits Proposal be accepted it appearing to the Select men very necessary that some Experiment, should be immediately made of a method to secure the Island from the Sea, which now every Winter washes away great quantities of the Soil.

M^r. John Greateon who lives near the Fortification appeared, and acquainted the Selectmen, that he has laid out a considerable Sum in Buildings, and furnishing a Shop with a proper assortment of West India Goods Flower Rice &c. for the supply of the Country People; and therefore pray'd that he may have their Approbation for a License to Retail Rum &c. at his said Shop — whereupon

Voted, that he be accordingly Approbated, it appearing to the

Select men, that he is not only a suitable Person to Retail, but is also properly situated and provided for a Trade with the Country People.

[97.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, October 21, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r Sam. P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

The Honourable Thomas Hubbard & Thomas Hancock Esq. be a Committee from the Hon^{ble}. His Majesty's Council, Represented, that M^r. George Morley and a great number of other Persons, lately come into this Place from Newfoundland, had apply'd to the Governor and Council to help them, to a passage for themselves and Familys to New foundland being very desirous of returning there again the Committee therefore desired that the Select men would make enquiry into the Circumstances of those People, and Report the same as soon as may be.

The Select men accordingly made enquiry into this matter and having examined the said George Morley and others, find that there is about Nineteen Familys of the Newfoundlanders making in all Ninety three Souls; that they are in [98.] Necessitous Circumstances, and not able to procure Employs that will support them, and consequently must be a great charge to the Province unless the Assistance they require should be afforded them — whereupon

Voted, that a Memorial be drawn up and preferred to His Excellency Governor Bernard & the Hon^{ble}. His Majestys Council, respecting the Newfoundland Familys which was accordingly done, and is as follows — Viz^t.

Province of the Massachusetts Bay,

To His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq. Cap^t. General and Commander in Chief, in and over said Province, and to the Honourable His Majestys Council.

The Memorial of the Subscribers, Selectmen of the Town of Boston.

Humbly Sheweth

That the Honourable Thomas Hubbard Esq. and Thomas Hancock Esq. a Committee from the Honourable Board have desired your Memorialists to enquire into the Circumstances of George Morley [99.] And others, who lately came from Newfoundland Your Memorialists have accordingly made the enquiry and find they are truly necessitous Persons, and as they cannot meet with employ here are desirous to return but are not able to pay the passage of themselves and Familys, they therefore request some Assistance, which Assistance if not afforded them and they continue here during the Winter, great charge will thereby accrue to the Province; all which is humbly submitted to your Excellency and Honors wise consideration

And your Memorialists as in duty bound shall ever pray,

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
M^r. SAM P. SAVAGE
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Select men of Boston

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 25, 1762. —

Present

[100.]

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Seth Jenkins Master of Sloop Marquis of Granby which has been stopp'd at Castle William as coming from Philadelphia, where the Small Pox and other infectious Distempers prevail, — Reports, That he sayled from Philadelphia the ninth Instant that his Lading consists of Flour Iron and Hemp, that he received his Hemp, from Stores on the Wharves, that he took no other Goods, from on shore that are liable to infection, and that they have had no sickness on board since they left the above Port.

Voted, that the Sloop Marquis of Granby be permitted to come up to this Town if the Owners see cause; and that a Certificate be given his Excellency which was [101.] Accordingly done and is as follows — viz^t.

May it please your Excellency

The Sloop Marquis of Granby Seth Jenkins Master from Philadelphia, being stop'd at Castle William on Account of Infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, and the Master having been examined by us, we are of Opinion said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper — We are

Your Excell^y. Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^{ts}.

SELECT MEN OF BOSTON

Boston October 25, 1762

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, October 25, 1762 P.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hew Esq.
Benjamin Austin
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[102.]

Mem^o. of the Familys now in this Town who came from y^e. Land, with their Circumstances as taken from George Morley, the twenty second of this Ins^t. October.

George Morley, his Wife & five Children, not able to pay their passage to the Land.

Henry Radford, his Wife & 6 Children - - - - - d°.
 Walter Degrave and Sister - - - - - d°.
 Morgan Murphey Wife and 3 Children - - - - - d°.
 James Winter his Wife, Father, Mother, & a Child. - d°.
 John Marshall, his Father, Mother & 2 Children - - d°.
 James Clark, his Wife & 8 Children - - - - - d°.
 Joseph Pottells his Wife and 7 Children - - - - - d°.
 Mary Greenlace and four Children - - - - - d°.
 James Howell, Wife & 7 Children (very poor) - - d°.
 Mary Worth and two Children (very poor) - - - - d°.
 William Pulling and Wife - - d°. - - - - - d°.

[103.] William Stone, his Wife and one Child, not able to pay their passage to the Land - - - - -
 Patrick Connell and Wife - - - - - d°.
 Edward Freeman and 3 Children - - - - - d°.
 Joseph Newell his Wife and 1 Child - - - - - d°.
 Andrew Murphey and Wife - - - - - d°.
 George Wood his Wife and 2 Children - - - - - d°.
 William Whiting, his Wife and 4 Children - - - - d°.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings and Eight Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	6	10
Wheaten	0	9	15
Houshold	0	13	4
Two Penny White Loaf	0	13	4
Wheaten	1	3	4
Houshold	1	10	8
[104.] Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	3	11	9
Houshold	4	15	7
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	7	8
Houshold	9	14	14
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	7	8

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf must weigh 3 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

Complaint having been made that the Chimnies of the Widow Nortons House situated near the Almshouse are insufficient and dangerous — Mess^{rs}. Thomas Daws and Daniel Bell were impowered and desired to survey the same, and Report their Opinion as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, at their Chamber in Faneuil Hall, being the first time since the late Fire, October 27, 1762.

Present

Samuel Hewes Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.

[105.]

M^r. Samuel p. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mess^{rs}. Austin and Sewall Appointed a Committee to enquire of M^r. Billings, what Money he may have in his hands, which he has received for Dockage from the Oyster Men whose Vessels have laid at the Towns side of the Dock and which he was look after; as also to consider on the best method to improve the Towns Interest in said Dock or Cove, and to Report as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, November 1, 1762.

Present

Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Sheverick, Master of Sloop Love, which [106.] Has been stopt at Castle William as coming from Philadelphia where the Small Pox and other infectious Distempers prevail Reports — That he left Philadelphia Nineteen Days ago, his Lading consisting of Flour and Salt and that there is no Person sick on board, neither has their been any sickness on board since he went from Boston.

Voted, that the said Sloop may come up, and that the following Certificate be given the Governor.

May it please your Excellency

The Sloop Love Nathaniel Sheverick master from Philadelphia being Stopt at Castle William on Account of Infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, and the Master having been examined by us; we are of Opinion said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper, We are

Your Excellencys Most obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

SELECTMEN OF BOSTON.

Boston Novem^r. 1, 1762

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

[107.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Nov^r. 1, 1762. P.M.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

Cap^t. Edmund Moreton Master of the Schooner Dove Reports, that he arrived from Philadelphia this Morning at Castle William and was there stopt on Account of the Small Pox, and other infectious Distempers being at that City: that he has been nine Days from thence and all his People well; that his Cargo consists of Flour and Iron; and he has nothing on board liable to infection.

Voted, that he be permitted to come up and that the following Certificate be given to the Governor — vizt.

May it please your Excellency

The Sloop Dove Edmund Morton Master from Philadelphia being stopt at [108.] Castle William on Account of infectious Distemper prevailing in that City, and the Master having been

examined by us, we are of Opinion, said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency think Proper, We are
Your Excell^y's. Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

SELECT MEN OF BOSTON

Boston Novem^r 1. 1762

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Novem^r. 2, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage

The Selectmen having been informed that Cap^t. [109.] John Phillips of the Schooner Diana, had arrived from Philadelphia, that Just upon his departure he landed a Person sick with the Small Pox — that he left Philadelphia eight Days ago; that he had given a false answer at the Castle, and by that means was permitted to pass whereupon,

Voted, that M^r. Williston be directed to warn the said Cap^t. Phillips to attend the Select men at their Chamber, to Morrow Morning at ten o'Clock.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Nov^r. 3, 1762. A.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewell Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. John Phillips appear'd and upon examining Him [110.] with respect to the information received Yesterday, it appear'd; that he left Philadelphia the twenty second of October, that on the sixteenth of October landed a person who was indisposed, and was apprehended by the Docter, was ill with the Small Pox, but there was not any eruption, though it proved afterwards to be the Small Pox — that he gave a true answer to the Castle, but as it was very windy he supposes they could not hear him, and so permitted him to pass — That his Cargo consists of Flour and Iron.

At a Meeting of the Select men Nov^r. 3, 1762. P.M.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[111.] The Committee Appointed to survey the Chimnies of the Widow Nortons House, Reported. Copy of the Warrant appointing them and their Return as follows.

Sirs

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of the House near the Almshouse owned by the Widow Norton are insufficient, and dangerous: We do desire and impower you to survey the same, and Report to us your Judgment concerning them.

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
Select men of Boston

Boston October 25. 1762

To Thomas Daws Esq. and M^r. Daniel Bell.

Boston November 29. 1762

To the Gentlemen Select men

Agreeable to the within the Subscribers have Surveyd the Chimnies as also the House owned by the Widow Norton near the Almshouse and Report that the Chimnies are insufficient and dangerous as is the House, further that we are very apprehensive of the House falling before the Spring, and therefore exceeding dangerous for any to reside therein

THOMAS DAWS
DANIEL BELL

In consequence of the above Return the following Order [112.] Was sent M^r. Norton.

Boston November 2^d., 1762.

M^r. Norton

Upon complaint made by a number of the Inhabitants of this Town of defects in the Chimnies of the House occupied by you, we issued our Warrant for a survey, a Copy of the Return on said Warrant you have above. Agreeable to the direction of the Law in that case made and provided, we hereby warn you not to make any Fires in said Chimnies till the defects are cured either by mending repairing or rebuilding said Chimnies as you would avoid the penalty of said Law

SELECT MEN OF BOSTON.

M^r. Stephen Symms Constable of the South Watch appeard, and informed the Selectmen that the Watch House wants Repair.

Voted, that M^r. Bayley be directed to Repair it.

Complaint having been made that the Chimnies in a small Tenement at the back of M^r. Vintons House in Sudbury Street are insufficient and dangerous.

Mess^{rs}. William and Michael Homer were empower'd and desired to survey the same, and Report their Opinion as soon as may be.

[113.] Complaint having been made that the Chimnies in a House belonging to M^r. Emmons in Sudbury Street are insufficient and dangerous — Mess. William and Michael Homer were empower'd

and desired to survey the same, and Report their Opinion as soon as may be

Copy of the Warrant issued is as follows

Sirs

Complaint having been made to us that a Chimnie in a small Tenement at the back of M^r. Vintenons house in Sudbury Street, also that a Chimney in a House belonging to M^r. Emmons in said Sudbury Street occupied by M^r. Wyer a Dutchman are both so defective as renders it dangerous to make a Fire in either of them not only to said House but also to the Neighbourhood. We desire and impower you to survey the same and Report to us your Judgment concerning them.

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
SAMUEL SEWALL
SAM. P. SAVAGE
EZEK^l. LEWIS
Select men of Boston

Boston Novem^r 8, 1762.

To Mess^{rs}. William and Tichael Homer.

[114.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 8, 1762. —
Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Joseph Hubbard of the Briggandine Hannah from New York, was sent for and examined — He declares that upon his being haled at the Castle, he answered from York, but could not hear what was said to him, the Wind blowing hard — further that his People are all well, that he has had no sickness on board since he left Boston, and that his People have not been on Shore at New York.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 10, 1762

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Jonathan Payson one of the Collectors of Taxes for the [115.] year 1760 having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his One Quarter part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said year, being £. 179 - 5 - 11.

It having been represented to the Selectmen that at Cellar at

Phillips Wharf owned by John Boreland Esq. is uncovered and has so much Water in it as to make it dangerous.

Voted, that M^r. Williston be directed to acquaint M^r. Boreland therewith, and that it is the desire of the Selectmen that said Cellar may be immediately covered.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen November 12, 1762. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Samuel P. Savage

Cap^t. Tayler of Sloop Elizabeth from Philadelphia, stopt at the Castle as a precaution against infectious Distempers [116.] Attended the Selectmen, and upon examination declares that he left Philadelphia the twenty ninth Day of October last, that they were all well on board his Vessell while at that place, and that they have been so ever since.

Voted, that Cap^t. Tayler be premitted to come up with his Vessel, and that the following Certificate be given him for his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

Enock Tayler Master of the Sloop Elizabeth, lately from Philadelphia which Sloop is stop'd at Castle William, having been examined by us we are of opinion said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper. We are

Your Excellency's Most Obed^t. Hum. Ser^t.

SAMUEL HEWS

JOHN SCOLLAY

SAMUEL SEWALL

SAM P. SAVAGE

Boston, Novem^r. 12, 1762

To his Excellency Governor Bernard

[117.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 15, 1762.

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Lemuel Weeks in a Sloop from Philadelphia, stopt at Castle William, came before the Select men, and declared; That he sayled from Philadelphia the fourth Instant that his Lading consists wholly of Iron Flour and Bran — and that no one Person has been sick on board him since he left Boston.

Voted that Cap^t. Weeks be permitted to bring up his Vessell and that the following Certificate be given his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

Lemuel Weeks Master of the Sloop ——— lately from Philadelphia, which Sloop is stop'd at Castle William having been examined by us we are of Opinion said

Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town, without endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper.
We are Your Excell^y Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

JOHN SCOLLAY
SAMUEL SEWALL
M^r SAM. P. SAVAGE
EZEKIEL LEWIS ESQ.

Boston Nov^r. 25. 1762
Selectmen of Boston
To his Excell^y. Gov^r. Bernard.

[118.] John Steward Pilot of Schooner Leopard Thomas Church Master, which Schooner is stop'd at Castle William came before the Select men and declared — That said Vessell sailed from Philadelphia the 2^d. of this Ins^t. Novem^r, that he has been on board her ever since, and has at present the Command of said Vessell; that there is no sickness on board, that Cap^t. Church went on shore at Hingham, where is his Family somewhat indisposed, but does not apprehend, he has taken the Small Pox; that said Vessell is loaded with Flower and Iron, and about two Tons of Hemp, which Hemp he does not imagine has been exposed to infection.

Voted, that Cap^t. Churchs Schooner be permitted to come up to Town, and that the following Certificate be given his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

John Steward Pilot of Schooner Leopard lately from Philadelphia, which Sloop is stop'd at Castle William, having been examined by us we are of Opinion said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town, without indangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper — We are —

[119.] Your Excell^y. Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

JOHN SCOLLAY
SAMUEL SEWALL
M^r. SAM. P. SAVAGE
EZEK^l. LEWIS

Boston Novem^r. 25, 1762.
Selectmen of Boston
To his Excellency Governor Bernard.

M^{rs}. Mary Sigorney Widow of Andrew Sigorney late of Boston Distiller, deceased, who was licensed as a Retailer the present year, Petitioned the Selectmen for their Approbation of her as a Retailer of Rum &c. the remainder of the Year.

Voted, that M^{rs}. Sigorney be Approbated as a Retailer of Rum & other Spirits the remainder of the Year, and that a Certificate be given accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 17, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benj^t. Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[120.] Mr. Gibbins Sharp Master of Engine N^o. 2. presented to the Selectmen Samuel Brown as a suitable Person for an Engine man in his Company in the room of William Hill who has left the service.

Voted, that the said Brown be & hereby is admitted an Engine Man in Mr. Sharps Company, in the room of the said William Hill who has left the service.

Mr. Alexander Hunt Ship Carpenter, having suppl'd the Town with the Ship Timber at sundry times, and being indebted to the Town Treasurer on Bond — motioned to the Select men, that his Account may be allowed, and that Interest on his Bond shall cease from the time the last Timber is charged being September 16. 1761. whereupon —

Voted, that M^r. Hunts Motion is agreed to and that the Town Treasurer be directed to adjust Matters accordingly.

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee to view the Town Slip opposite Wood Lane; and Report what Repairs are necessary.

Mr. William Henshaw whose Shop is at the South End Petitioned the Selectmen for their Approbation of him as a Retailer of Rum and other Distilled Spirits; and it appearing to the Select men that he was well situated for the supply [121.] Of Country Traders; and had a Shop well provided for that purpose; he was accordingly approbated.

Mr. ——— Ingersol who keeps a Store on Wheelwrights Wharf, Petitioned the Select men for their approbation of him as a Retailer of Rum and other Distilled Spirits at his said Store, and it appearing to the Selectmen that he was well situated for a trade with the Coasters and other Sea faring Men; he was accordingly approbated.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 22^d, 1762.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Capt. John Waterman of Sloop Deborah from Philadelphia being stop'd at Castle William on account of Infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, came before the Selectmen, and declared — That he left Philadelphia Thirteen Days ago, his People all well; that his Lading consists of Flour and Iron, and that he has nothing on board liable to retain any infection.

[122.] Voted, That Cap^t. Waterman be permitted to come up to Town with his Vessel, and that the following Certificate be given him for his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

Capt. John Waterman of the Sloop Deborah from Philadelphia, stop'd at Castle William has been examined by us, and we are of Opinion that no danger can arise to the Inhabitants of this Town

by her being permitted to come up if your Excellency think proper
— We are

Your Excellencys Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJ^t. AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
SAM. P. SAVAGE

Boston Novem^r. 22^d. 1762

Selectmen of Boston

To His Excellency Governor Bernard

Cap^t. Edward Church of Sloop Bathsheba from Philadelphia, being stop'd at Castle William, on account of Infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, came before the Selectmen and declared — That he left Philadelphia fifteen Days ago; his People all well; that his Lading consists of Flour Iron and some Hemp, but that he took the latter Article on board out of a Store at a [123.] Considerable distance from the City, where it had been housed all Summer.

Voted, that Cap^t. Church be permitted to come up to Town with his Vessell, and that the following Certificate be given him for his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

Cap^t. Benjamin Church of the Sloop Bathsheba from Philadelphia stop'd at Castle William, has been examined by us, and we are of Opinion that no danger can arise to the Inhabitants of this Town, by her being permitted to come up if your Excellency think proper, We are,

Your Excell^t's Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t.

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
SAM. P. SAVAGE

Boston, Novem^r. 22^d, 1762

Selectmen of Boston

To His Excellency Governor Bernard

At a Meeting of the Select men Novem^r 22 P.M.

Present

[124.] John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Sewall Esq.
M^r. Sam. Ph. Savage

William Brown Master of the Amhurst Frigate from New York, stop'd at Castle William on account of infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, Appear'd & Reported, That he left New York the 12 Instant at which place he arrived from the Havannah via South Carolina, but brought no Soldiers or Cloathing belonging to them; that he has nothing on board his Ship, but Ballast, and that his Crew are all in health.

Voted, that Cap^t. Brown be permitted to come up to Town with his Vessell, and that the following Certificate be given him for his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

Cap^t. William Brown of the Amhurst Frigate from New York

stop'd at Castle William has been examined by us, and we are of Opinion that no danger can arise to the Inhabitants of this Town by her being permitted to come up, if your Excellency thinks proper. We are.

[125.] Your Excell^{ty}. Most Obed^t. Hum. Servants

JOHN SCOLLAY Esq
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 SAM. P. SAVAGE

Boston, Nov^r, 22^d. 1762

Selectmen of Boston

To His Excellency Governor Bernard

At a Meeting of the Select men, Novem^r. 24, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mess. Scollay and Austin Appointed a Committee some time past to place the Ladders bought for the Town, at the best and most convenient stations — Report —

That — Ladders were placed at the North Lattin School Yard.
 ditto - - - - - at Faneuil Hall Market
 ditto - - - - - at a Yard opposite W^m. Fletchers

House, and under y^e care of M^r. Gershom Flagg.

[126.] A Petition of M^r. William Price directed to the Selectmen and his Majestys Justices of the Town of Boston, praying an allowance for a large Wooden Building which did belong to the Petitioner and was ordered down at the late Fire near the Brick Meeting House for the preservation of the Buildings contiguous — was read — whereupon — Voted, that the following Letter be wrote the Honourable Samuel Wells Esq. —

Sir,

If your Honor will please to communicate the Inclosed Petition to the Justices of the Town, we shall be ready to meet them for the consideration thereof at the time and place your Honors may see meet to appoint for that purpose

Your Most Hum. Serv^t.

THOMAS CUSHING
 SAMUEL HEWS
 JOHN SCOLLAY
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 EZEKIEL LEWIS

Boston Novem^r. 24. 1762.

Selectmen of Boston.

To the Hon^{ble}. Samuel Wells Esq.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 29, 1762.

[127.]

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

John Ruddock Esq. one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1760. having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his One Quarter part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said year, amounting to £. 176. 5. 11

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat, and for Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is committed as follows — Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
[128.] Of Penny White Loaf	0	6	4
Wheaten		-	9 - 8
Household		-	12 - 10
Two Penny White Loaf			12 - 10
Wheaten	1	-	2 - 14
Household	1	-	9 - 4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	3	-	8 - 5
Household	4	.	8 . 2
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	-	1 -
Household	9	-	7 - 7
Four Penny Brick Loaf - - - -	1	-	6 - 4

Mem^o. a 4^d. loaf of Brick Bread is 8oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 1, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[129.] Liberty is hereby granted the Widow Cannady to dig up the Pavement and open the Ground in North Writing School Street in order to clean or repair her Drain upon condition that he forthwith make good the Ground and restore the Pavement to the satisfaction of the Select men.

Cap^t. Archabold Lows of Schooner Thankful from Newfoundland, appear'd, and informed the Select men that he has brought Passengers, Christopher Edmunds Wife and two Sons Inhabitants of Newfoundland, who desire liberty to remain in the Town till the Spring, and are in his Opinion able to support themselves.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 2^d, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Benjamin Austin Esq.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap.^t Wimble of Sloop Stanford attended, being sent for by the Selectmen, and acquainted them, that he left New York last Fryday; that his Lading consists of Flour [130.] Iron and some Chests of Soldiers Clothing, which came from Albany; that all his People are well as they have been the Voyage round — In excuse for his coming up to Town with his Vessell before receiving a Permit he said that he thought the design of stopping at the Castle was to prevent infectious Distempers being brought among the inhabitants, and having had no sickness on board he did not suspect his coming up before he had waited on the Selectmen would be deemed a trespass, he therefore pray'd that this heed neglect, which is his first offence of this sort may be passed over, without a prosecution, for the Penalty he may have thereby incurr'd.

M^r. Samuel Adams one of the collectors of Taxes for the Year 1760 having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him his One Quarter part of the Premium allowed for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year amounting as by the Assessors Mem^o. to £. 176-5-11.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Decem^r. 2, 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
M^r. Samuel P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

A Certificate of the Briggandine Free Mason from the Havannah, John Robinson Master, being in Circumstances to come up to Town, was sent his Excellency, and is as follows, Viz^t.

May it please your Excellency.

Cap^t. John Robinson of the Brigg^{ms} Free Mason from the Havannah and New York, stopt at Castle William on Account of the Sickness at the Havannah and New York has been examined by us, and we are of Opinion said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town, without danger to the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks proper. We are

Your Excellencys Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^t

THOMAS CUSHING
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAM. P. SAVAGE
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Boston December 2^d. 1762

Select men of Boston

To His Excellency Governor Bernard.

[1.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 6, 1762 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Gideon Smith of Sloop Fox from Philadelphia has been stopt at Castle William on Account of Infectious Distempers prevailing in that City, appeared, and informed the Selectmen, that he has been from thence seventeen Days, that they are all well and have been so during the Voyage, that his Cargo consists of Flower and Iron — The Selectmen apprehending no danger by the said Vessells being permitted to come up to Town, gave a Certificate accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 8, 1762 A.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Samuel Hews Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Josiah Gorham Master of the Sloop Diana from Philadelphia, having been stop'd at Castle William, Declares, that he has been from Philadelphia twelve Days, that his People are well and have been so since he left Nantasket Road to his return and that his Cargo wholly consist of Flower — The Selectmen [2.] Apprehending no danger by the said Vessells being permitted to come up to Town — A Certificate was given him accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 8, 1762. P.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t John Gibbs of Sloop Industry from Philadelphia attended and Reports, that he left that City about fifteen Days since that not one of his People have been sick since they left Boston, and that his Lading consists wholly of Flour and Iron — The Selectmen apprehending no danger by the said Vessells being permitted to come up to Town — A Certificate was given him accordingly.

The Selectmen having received information that the Yellow Fever lately so rife at Philadelphia, is now very considerably abated, agreed upon the following Letter to be sent his Excellency.

May it please your Excellency

As the Yellow Fever is much abated at Philadelphia and the season of the Year advancing [3.] When it will be dangerous for Vessells to Anchor in the Harbour, we would request that the Order for stopping Vessells at Castle William which came from thence, may be taken off if your Excellency see fit — We are

SELECTMEN'S MINU

Your Excellencys Most Obed^t. Hum

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Decem^r. 8. 1762

To His Excell^y. Francis

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, De
Present

Thomas Cushing
Benjamin Austin
Samuel Sewall
M^r. Sam. P. Sa

Cap^t. William Wingfield in the Shi
Havannah last from Rhode Island was
account of Infectious Distempers pr
and being examined by the Select me
People on board are well — That the
Havannah were landed at N. York,
mediately knock'd down, and his Ship
from the Havannah the 27. of Octobe
Day fortnight and that he's nothing n
visions belonging to the King — Whe

Voted, that the Ship be permitted
and a Certificate given him for the Go
May it please your Excellency

Capt. William Wingfield of the S
Havannah, which Vessell is now stop
examined by us, and we are of Opin
mitted to come up without endange
Town, if your Excellency think prope
Your Excell^y Most Obed^t. Hum. Sa

Boston, Decem^r. 10. 1762

To His Excell^y. Francis Bernard

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, De
Present

Samuel Hews Es
John Scollay Esc
Benj^r. Austin Es
Samuel Sewall E
M^r. Sam. P. Sav
Ezekiel Lewis Es

A Committee of the Overseers of t
men and represented the Circumstance

expected in this Town, from Roxbury, being of a number of those People assigned to this Town by the (a note in original says "carried forward three Pages," the remainder of entry being on page 7.) General [7.] Court, and proposed the providing Houses for them the Overseers apprehending as they declared that this matter lay more properly with the Selectmen than with the Overseers.

[5.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 15, 1762. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mr. Thomas Grenough attended, and desired of the Selectmen that they would grant liberty to M^r. Tyleston Master of the North Writing School, to receive into his School as a Scholar a Son of the Rev^d. m^r. Hobbys from Reading, lately come to this Town for the benefit of his Education — whereupon it was Voted, that liberty be granted M^r. Tyleston accordingly.

Whereas there was an Assignment made on the 18th Day of May last of a certain number of Days on which the Free Negroes of this Town were to Work on the High Ways, which service has not as yet been fully comply'd with — therefore Voted — that the Town Clerk Issue a Warrant this Day, Ordering and requiring them to work such a number of Days as shall be affixed to their respective Names.

Boston ss.

To Scipio and other Free Negroes residing in the Town of Boston. You are hereby severally Ordered and Required to perform so many Days work as is here under affixed to your Names, and this at the Time and Place you shall be directed to by m^r. John Swetser, appointed an Overseer for this purpose. [6.] It being such a proportion of Time as is adjudged to be equivalent to the service of Trainings, Watchings and other duty required of the rest of his Majestys Subjects, the benefit of which you share. Hereof fail not as you avoid the penalty of the Law in such case made and provided.

By order of the Select men

Boston Decem ^r . 15. 1762	WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk.
Lancaster Hill - - - - -	Sixteen Days
Pompey Blackman - - - - -	Twenty Ditto
Dick Tyng - - - - -	Ten Ditto
Boston Jackson - - - - -	Six Ditto
Toby Lockman - - - - -	Eighteen Ditto
Cesar Clark - - - - -	Sixteen Ditto
Thomas Knox - - - - -	- - - Ditto
Scipio Osborne - - - - -	Two Ditto
Scipio Aphthorp - - - - -	Eight Ditto
Peter How - - - - -	Thirty Ditto
John Thurbur - - - - -	Four Ditto
Fortunatus Pitts - - - - -	Twenty four Ditto

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 22^d., 1762.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[7.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 13, (*sic*) 1762 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
M^r. Sam. P. Savage
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Samuel Crocker of Schooner Lucretia from New York at Castle William Reports — That he left New York last Tuesday being discharged from the Ordinance service — that he has nothing but Ballast in his Vessell, and that his people are all well as they have been during the Voyage — The Selectmen apprehending no danger by the Vessells being permitted to come up to Town, gave a Certificate accordingly.

The Selectmen having considered the Proposals of the Overseers of the Poor as entred the 11^t. Instant in these Minutes, relative to the Accadians expected from Roxbury, apprehend that the care of those People lays wholly with the Overseers of the Poor; and that in case they are as has been represented poor and destitute & who will need relief, the Overseers are the only Persons that the Law impowers to relieve them.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen December 27, 1762. —

Present

[8.] Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings and eight Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, —
Viz^t.

	l.	os.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	6	10
Wheaten		9	15
Houshold		18	4
Two Penny White Loaf		18	4
Wheaten	1	3	4
Houshold	1	10	8
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	11	9
Houshold	4	15	7
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	7	8
Houshold	9	14	14
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	7	8

Mem^o. a 4^d. Brick Loaf must weigh 8 oz. less than a 4^d. White Loaf.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, December 29, 1762.

Present

[9.] Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage

M^r. Thomas Grenough acquainted the Selectmen that he has taken into an House as a Tenant M^r. John Richardsons Mother, who came from Stoneham.

M^r. Joseph Morton acquainted the Selectmen that he has taken into a House as Tenants William Fraligh, his Wife and one Child who came last from Mendon.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen January 3^d. 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Bakers of this Town having been several times heard by the Selectmen on their Complaint that the late Assize computed at Wheat at 6/8 p. Bushell is at a lower rate than the price of merchantable Wheat now bears; and upon examination and enquiry into this [10.] Matter it appearing doubtfull to the Selectmen whether the Bakers make use of the Wheat now at Market which is of an inferior sort in the Bread they now bake, upon which supposition it was that the Assize has been set at a lower rate than Flower now sells for; it was therefore Voted, that a new Assize of Bread, at the rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat, and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loafe	-	-	6 - 4
Wheaten	-	-	9 - 8
Houshold	-	-	12 - 10
Two Peny White Loaf	-	-	12 - 10
Wheaten	-	1 -	2 - 14
Houshold	-	1 -	9 - 4
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	-	-	3 - 8 - 5
Houshold	-	4 -	8 - 2
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	-	-	7 - 1 -
Houshold	-	9 -	7 - 7
Four Peny Brick Loaf	-	-	1 - 6 - 4

Mem^o 7 Biskets must weigh 1 - 9 - 4 a 4^d. Loaf of Brown Bread 3/4 Wheat the other 1/4 ltye Meal must weigh 2 - 5 - 14

[11.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, January 5. 1763.

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Atkins and John Brown were empower'd and desired to Survey the Chimnies in a House in Back Street Complaint having been made to the Selectmen that they are in sufficient and dangerous.

M^r. John Brown Master of Engine N^o. — appear'd and proposed Joseph Foye as a proper Person for their Company in the room of Robert Bonyne who has left it whereupon —

Voted that the above Named Joseph Foye be and hereby is admitted an Engine man in said Company.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^r 6, 1763

The Committee Appointed to Survey M^r. Whittemores Chimnies Reported as their Opinion. That their ought to be no Fire kept in them as it must be very dangerous to the Neighbourhood — Copy of said Warrant and Return are as follows.

Sirs,

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of a House in Back street occupied by Edward Whittemore are insufficient and dangerous, we do desire and empower you to survey the same and Report to us your Judgment concerning them

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
Selectmen of Boston

Boston Jan. 5. 1763

To Mess^{rs} Thom^s. Atkins & John Brown

[12.]

Boston January 6 1763

We the Subscribers having viewd the within mentioned Chimnies are of Opinion that there ought no Fires to be kept in them, as its very dangerous to the Neighbourhood.

Witness our hands

THOMAS ATKINS
JOHN BROWN

In consequence of the above Return the following Letters was sent M^r. Edward Whittemore

Sir Upon Complaint made by a number of the Inhabitants of the Town of defects in the Chimnies of the House Occupied by you, we issued our Warrants for a Survey, a Copy of the return on Said Warrant you have above Agreeable to the directions of the Law in that Case made and provided, we hereby warn you not to make any Fires in said Chimnies, till the defects are cured either by amending repairing or Rebuilding said Chimnies, as you would avoid the Penalty of said Law.

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Jan^r 19, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.

[13.]

Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Samuel Phillips Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mr. Thomas Read Master of Engine N^o. — Apply'd to the Select men in behalf of his Company for the Premium allowed by the Town for playing First with their Engine at the late Fire which broke out at the House of William Story Esq.

Voted, that the Premium be allowed them accordingly.

Mr. Stephen Greenleaf Master of Engine N^o. 9. Applied to the Selectmen in behalf of his Com^y. for the Premium allowed by the Town, for working first with their Engine at the late Fire which broke out in a Shop improved by Deacon Jones.

Voted, that the Premium be allowed them accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^y 26, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Samuel P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[14.] Mr. William Sutton of Engine N. 7. kept near Dr. Sewalls Meeting House Appeard and proposed Ebenezer Torrey, Belcher Smith, & Samuel Shed to be admitted as Engine Men in his Company in the room of Adino Paddock, James Cox and William Flagg who have left the Company.

Voted, that the said Torrey Smith & Shed be Admitted as Engine men in his Company accordingly.

Complaint being made that the Chimnies of the Widow Boss's House are insufficient and dangerous — Mess^{rs}. Thomas Atkins and Thomas Dows were impower'd and desired to survey the same, and Report their Opinion as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Jan^y. 31, 1763.

Present.

Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Mr. Sam. P. Savage

Sylvester Gardner Esq. & others, Proprietors of Long Lane having drawn upon the Selectmen for £100 — lawful Money in favor of Mess^{rs}. Fosdick & Thornton Pavers being the Sum granted said Proprietors by the Town at a late Meeting to enable them to go on with the Paving said Lane as by their [15.] Vote on Record more fully appears.

Ordered, that they have a Draft for the same accordingly, it having been made appear to the Select men, that the Proprietors have fully comply'd with the Conditions of said Grant.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat & Four Pence p.

Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf	0	6	4
Wheaten	-	9	8
Houshold	-	12	10
Two Penny White Loaf		12	10
Wheaten	1	2	14
Houshold	1	9	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	8	8	5
Houshold	4	8	2
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	1	-
Houshold	9	7	7
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	6	4
Mem ^o . 7 Biskets must weigh	1	9	4
a 4 ^d Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$			
Rye Meal must weigh	2	5	14

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Feb^r 2^d 1763.

[16.] Abigail Elson a Soldiers Wife now at the Almshouse on Province Charge, apply'd to the Select men, for a pair of Stockens, 2 Aprons and one Handkerchief, to enable her to go into a Family as a Servant whereby the Province will be eased of the Expence arising from her Maintenance.

Voted, that M^r. Procter Keeper of said Hospital be desired to supply her accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, February 9, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Capt. John Scimmer acquainted the Selectmen that he had brought from New York as Passengers two Young Women of the Name of Daveler, who came as they say on a visit to Cap^t. Fraziers Wife to whom they are related.

William Sowersby Hatter attended the Selectmen and proposed Thomas Grenough Instrument Maker & William Truman Cutter, both of this Town, for his Bondsmen, to Secure said Town from all charge that may arise from the Maintenance of a Child laid to the said Sowersby by Sarah Chapman.

[17.] Voted, that they be accepted accordingly, and that the Town Clerk give a Certificate whereof unto the Clerk of the Sessions at whose Office said Bonds will be lodged.

At a Meeting of the Hon^{ble}. His Majestys Justices of the Peace, the Gentlemen the Selectmen and Overseers of the Poor within the Town of Boston on Thursday the 17^t Day of February Anno Domini 1763.

Present

The Hon^{ble}. Samuel Wells Esq.
 John Hill Esq.
 William Story Esq.
 Belcher Noyes Esq.

Justices of the Peace

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Selectmen

Royal Tyler Esq.
 Joseph Gardner Esq.
 John Barrett Esq.
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 Isaac Smith Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 John Phillips Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 Meletiah Bourn Esq.
 M^r. Henry Bromfield
 M^r. William Whitwell

[18.]

Overseers of the Poor

A General Walk or Visitation of the Town was then Agreed upon to be attended on Monday the 21^t of February Instant at 10 o'Clock in the Morning if suitable Weather, if not then on the Day following, being the 22^d Instant. And it is also agreed to Meet at the Selectmens Chamber in Faneuil Hall 5 o'Clock in the Evening of said Day to Report the State of the Town &°.

The Order or Sortment is as follows, Viz^t

Ward N^o. 1

John Steel Esq.
 Royal Tyler Esq.
 Cap^t. William White
 Cap^t. Ralph Hart
 Deacon Jon^s Brown
 Cap^t. Benj^m Hammatt
 John Wild - - - Constable

Ward N^o. 2

[19.]

Royal Tyler Esq.
 Cap^t. Nath^l Greenwood
 M^r. John Grant
 M^r. John Grenough
 Cap^t Fortesque Vernon
 M^r. Alexander Hill
 Thomas Dows Esq.
 Elisha Byles — Constable

Ward N^o. 3.

Foster Hutchinson Esq.
 Joseph Gardner Esq.
 M^r. James Halsey
 M^r. John Tudor
 M^r. Joseph Bradford
 M^r. Nathaniel Loring
 Newman Grenough Esq.
 James Thomas — Constable

Ward N^o. 4.

John Barrett Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 M^r. David Jeffries
 Samuel Grant Esq.
 M^r. Ezekiel Goldthwait
 Samuel McClure, Constable

Ward N^o 5.

[20.]

Joshua Winslow Esq.
 M^r. Benjamin Dolbear
 M^r. Henry Newman
 M^r. Alexander Chamberlain
 Cap^t. William Holms
 Deacon Benjamin Church
 John Rogers — Constable

Ward N^o. 6.

Belcher Noyes Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 M^r. William Fairfield
 M^r. John Kneeland
 M^r. Samuel Parkman
 M^r. John Smith
 Isaac Smith Esq.
 Maj^r. James Noble
 Augustus Hale — Constable

Ward N^o. 7.

Nathaniel Balston Esq.
 M^r. Jonathan Mason
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 M^r. Joseph Waldo
 M^r. Timothy Newell
 M^r. Timothy Fitch
 William Story Esq.
 William Dorrington, Constable

Ward N^o. 8.

[21.]

John Phillips Esq.
 Joseph Jackson Esq.
 M^r. Sam. P. Savage
 M^r. Jonathan Payson
 M^r. Joseph Edwards
 Cap^t. Samuel Downe
 Nathaniel Thayer — Constable

Ward, N^o. 9.

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 William Phillips Esq.
 William Taylor Esq.
 Joseph Shed, — Constable

Ward N^o. 10.

Joseph Dowse Esq.
 Meletiah Bourn Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Jeremiah Green Esq.
 John Erving Jun^r. Esq.
 M^r. Thomas Gray
 M^r. Nathaniel Gardner
 M^r. John Mico Wendell
 Thomas Flucker Esq.
 Francis Salmon — Constable

Ward N^o. 11

[22.]

John Hill Esq.
 M^r. Henry Bromfield
 M^r. John Winslow
 M^r. Samuel Adams
 Jonathan Simpson Esq.
 M^r. Ebenezer Storer
 William Blair Townsend Esq.
 Deacon Thomas Hill
 Eliphalet Parker — Constable

Ward N^o. 12

Hon^{ble}. Samuel Wells Esq.
 M^r. William Whitwell
 M^r. John Demming
 Cap^t. Hopestill Foster
 M^r. Henderson Inches
 Deacon Thomas Foster
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Demming
 Stephen Symms, Constable

And the Town Clerk is directed to give forth Copies of the above Order or Sortment accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, February 28, 1763 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

[23.]

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Ordered, That the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges Pains and Live-
hood — which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Penny White Loaf		6	4
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Wheaten	1	2	14
Houshold	1	9	4
Six Penny Wheaten Loaf	3	8	5
Houshold	4	8	2
Twelve Penny Wheaten Loaf	7	1	
Houshold	9	7	7
Four Penny Brick Loaf	1	6	4
Mem ^o . 7 Biskets must weigh	1	9	4
A 4 ^d . Loaf of brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$			
Rye Meal must weigh - - - - -	2	5	14

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 2^d. 1763. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq

Samuel Hews Esq.

[24.]

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

M^r. Sam. P. Savage

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Samuel Wentworth Esq. having made it appear to the Select men that he has pursuant to an Agreement with the Town laid upon Boston Neck at different Times Six hundred load of Gravel ;

Ordered that the Clerk Certifie the same on said Wentworth's Lease which is in his possession

Samuel Wentworth Esq. having desired liberty of the Select men to take the Dirt made round the Market, from M^r. Sympsons Shop by the Conduit down to the West End of the Market.

Voted, that he have liberty to take Dirt in the above Bounds for the Year ensuing.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 7, 1763. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Selectmen having been acquainted that the Small Pox had spread in Charlestown South Carolina.

[25.] Voted, that Application be made to his Excellency Gov^r. Bernard praying an Order to the Commanding Officer of Castle William to stop all Vessells coming from Charlestown, and prevent their coming up to Town untill proper enquiry be made into the Circumstances of such Vessells — Whereupon the following was sent his Excellency the Governor.

May it please your Excellency

Information having been given us that the Small Pox is very prevalent at Charlestown South Carolina, we think it our duty to acquaint your Excellency therewith and to request that you will be pleased to order the commanding officer at Castle William to stop all Vessells coming from thence, untill proper enquiry be made into the circumstances of such Vessells.

We are

Your Excellencys

Most Obed^t. Hum. Serv^{ts}.

THOMAS CUSHING

SAMUEL HEWS

JOHN SCOLLAY

BENJ^s. AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

Boston, March 7^h. 1763

To his Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

Ordered that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In his Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn [26.] All the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at twenty pounds Estate to a single Rate (besides the Poll) to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Monday the fourteenth Day of March Current at 9 o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to Nominate & Appoint, Choose meet Persons to serve the Town the Year ensuing, as Selectmen Town Clerk, Overseers of the Poor, Wardens, Fire-Wards, Constables, and other Officers as the Law directs; To Grant such Sums of Money and in such manner as may be Judged Needful for the Payment of the School Masters, for the relief of the Poor and defraying other necessary Charges; To receive the Reports of the Town Committees on several Affairs; To act upon the List of Jurors; To appoint a Committee to visit the Schools; To Choose Auditors of the Accounts of the Town Treasurer and Overseers of the Poor; To determine what Premium shall be allowed the Collectors of taxes, and on the Time the Assessors may sit to make Abate-ments thereof; To receive & Examine the Accounts of the Granary; To consider the Petition of a number of Inhabitants that the Clock at the Rev^d. m^r. Byles Meeting House may be kept in good order at the Charge of the Town; To determine what is proper to be done relative to the Incroachments on the Circular

Line; To consider of the Proposals of the Overseers of the Poor respecting a Drain to carry off the Waste Water &c. from the Alms House and Work House; Of the [27.] Desire of a Number of the Inhabitants that the Town would determine upon some effectual Method to prevent the pernicious Practise of Forestalling the Market; Whether they will make any allowance to Soloman Kneeland for his Land in Water Street, the greater part of which was taken from him in order to widen said Street; Of the proposal of Hugh Floyd, Jonathan Hall and others, to make Brick and Tile on the Land on the Neck Leased to John Hill and Samuel Wentworth E-q. Whether they will take on their risque such Tickets in Faneuil Hall Lottery as may remain unsold on the Days that may be Assigned by the Managers for drawing the same; Whether they will Rebuild the Kitchen of the House that M^r. John Lovel lives in, and enlarge the Cellar under it; To Choose Jurors for April Court; and to Act on all such Matters and Things as stand referr'd over to said Meeting.

Voted, That the Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Mather be desired to open the Town Meeting on Monday next with Prayer, and that M^r. Scollay and M^r. Austin be a Committee to acquaint him therewith.

Voted, that M^r. Samuel Kneeland have the Printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting.

[28.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 9, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The following Letter was wrote the Selectmen of Malden.
 Gentlemen,

Jeremy Tibedean being badly wounded is now in this Town, with his Family in a suffering Condition they require speedy relief, and as they belong to your Town we give you this information, that you may provide for them as soon as possible.

By Order of the Select men,

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk.

Boston March 9. 1765.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 16, 1763 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. Robert Pope having apply'd to the Select men that he [29.] May be Appointed to take care of the Clock at the Rev^d. M^r. Byles's Meeting House; which by a Vote of the Town was to be kept in order at the publick charge.

Voted, that the Care of said Clock be accordingly committed to the said Pope.

Passed upon Mr. Samuel Procter Keeper of the Alms house Province Accounts, Copys, whereof are on File.

David Childs Master of Schooner Tryall which has been stop'd at Castle William as coming from South Carolina where the Small Pox was rife — Reports, that he sayled from South Carolina the 25th of February, that his Lading consists of Rice and Pork with a few sides of Sole Leather — that they had taken nothing on board at Carolina liable to Infection, and have had no sickness in the Vessell since they left that place.

The Selectmen apprehending no danger by the said Ve-sell being permitted to come up to Town gave a Certificate accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 23^d., 1763. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

[30.]

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The following Letter was wrote the Selectmen of Dorchester
Boston, March 23 1765 (*sic*)

Gentlemen

Having heard that you proposed to send to this Town one James Bowes a Negro upon supposition of his being an Inhabitant; We think it proper to acquaint you that the said Negro has been from us above seven Years, and that it is more than probable he has become an Inhabitant of some other Town in the Province, and therefore shall not receive him as an Inhabitant of this; we presume not to point out your conduct, but think it would be most regular for you to send him to the Town he has last resided at.

By order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 25, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The following Letter was wrote the Selectmen of Dorchester.
[31.] Boston, March 25, 1763.

Gentlemen

We wrote you on Wednesday last respecting James Bowes and upon conversing with Maj^r. Robinson are conformed in our Sentiments respecting this matter as therein expressed; It seems he has been gone from this Town above twelve Years the Fellow

himself allows he has resided in some other Town above twelve Months and so become an Inhabitant there Viz'. In New Salem in the Province of New Hampshire its highly probable to us he has during the Time above mentioned become an Inhabitant in several other Towns it is certain we can't legally receive him till you fully satisfy us he properly belongs to us, and in case you send him to Town we must be obliged to return him immediately this will create charge to both of us to no purpose whereas your way respecting this Matter is quite clear as the Law points it out. Viz'. To send him to the Town where he properly belongs or had his last residence.

We are

Your Humble Servants

SELECTMEN

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 26, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

[32.] Thomas Valentine Master of the Brigggandine Vanson from New York stopt at Castle William on account of the Small Pox being in that City—Reports—That he left that place twenty-seven Days past, and has had no sickness on board since that time, neither has he any thing in his Vessell liable to convey Infection.

The Selectmen apprehending no danger by said Vessells beeing permitted to come up to Town gave a Certificate accordingly.

Capl. William Wimple of the Sloop Stanford from New York, — Reports that he left that place the 10 Instant, and arrived in this Harbour the last Evening; that he was stopt at Castle William on Account of the Small Pox but has no sickness on board nor any thing liable to retain infection—that his Lading consists of Flower Iron and Indian Corn, as also the Baggage belonging to Major Gorhams Corps of Rangers, which Baggage was brought in the ship Oliver, cast away near New York, by which means it lay a considerable Time under Water.

The Select men apprehending no danger by said Vessells being permitted to come up to Town gave a Certificate accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen March 28, 1763. —

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

[33.]

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Ordered that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Viz'.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf		6 -	4
Wheaten		9 -	8
Household		12 -	10
Two Peny White Loaf		12 -	10
Wheaten	1 -	2 -	14
Houshold	1 -	9 -	4
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf		3 -	8 - 5
Houshold	4 -	8 -	2
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf		7 -	1 -
Houshold	9 -	7 -	7
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1 -	6 -	4
Mcm ^o . 7 Biskets must weigh	1 -	9 -	4
A 4 ^o . Loaf Brown Bread $\frac{1}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$			
Rye Meal	2 -	5 -	14

Passed upon Mr. Thomas Hartleys Province Account amounting to £. 22-161. Copy of which is on file.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 30, 1763. —

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

[34.]

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Mr. John Grant one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1761. having produced the Province County & Town Treasurers Receipt for Monys paid them, being the Sums collected from the several Inhabitants for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay the said John Grant £126-14-7 $\frac{1}{2}$ being the amount of One Quarter part of the Premium on the whole Sum Collected for the Year 1761.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, March 31, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Mr. Edward Payne one of the Owners of Schooner Fair Lady, Reports, that said Schooner arrived at Cape Ann from South Carolina the 29th Instant after a passage of forty four Days; she put into the Vineyard about ten Days past, the Cap^t. then sick of the Small Pox, and having before buried one of his hands who died with that Distemper — At the Vineyard she took in a Pilot and one man, both having had the Small Pox, they left the Vessell at Cape Ann having first shifted themselves — her Cargo consists of Rice and Pork, — the Vessell is expected [35.] Every Hour at Rainsford Island, where she is ordered by Authority, with the Captain and two surviving Seamen, besides some hands from Cape Ann.

Voted, that the following Letter be sent Mr. Hartley.

Boston, March 31, 1763

M^r. Thomas Hartley

The Schooner Fair Lady Capt. Robinson having the Small Pox on board and being soon expected at Rainsfords Island, we direct that upon her arrival you take every thing on shore that is liable to Infection, and see that the same is well cleaned, as also all the People belonging to her that may be sick or liable to take the Distemper, the former receive into the Hospital the latter into the Well house & Report to us the state of Things as soon as possible

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
NATHANIEL THWING

Select men

P. S. You must not suffer any of the Persons who shall bring the Vessel from Cape Ann, to leave the Island without our orders

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 6, 1763.

Present

William Sutton Master of Engine N^o. 7. appeared & proposed Joseph Decoster in the room of John Bonner, who has left their Company, who was according approved of by the Selectmen.

[36.] M^r. Sutton then Represented to the Selectmen. the expediency of having one other Man added to his Company, their Engine being one of the largest in town, having at present Fifteen hands, belonging to her including himself, — whereupon.

Voted, that the Company of Engine N^o. 7. shall henceforward consist of Sixteen Persons including the Master.

M^r. William Sutton Master of Engine N^o. 7. having proposed William Snowden as a suitable Person to fill up the vacancy in his Company.

Voted, that the said Snowden be admitted an Engine Man in his Company accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 8, 1763.

M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island appeared and Reported, That the Schooner Fair Lady Ordered to the Island some time past had been thoroughly smoked and cleanse'd, and was now in a condition to leave the Island with safety to the Inhabitants — whereupon,

Voted, that the said Schooner be permitted to leave the Island, and that a Certificate of the above Vessels being in Circumstances to come up to town be given the Governor accordingly — whereupon the following was wrote —

May it please your Excellency

The Schooner Fair Lady Cap^t. Robinson from South Carolina lately ordered to Rainsfords Island as having the Small Pox on board has been sufficiently [37.] Smoked and cleansed, and we are of Opinion she may be permitted to come up to Town without

endangering the health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency thinks fit. We are

Your Excell^y

Most Obed^t Hum. Serv^t.

SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
Selectmen

Boston April 8, 1763

To His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

At a Meeting of the Hon^{ble} His Majestys Justices of the Peace, and the Selectmen of the Town of Boston April 13^t. 1763.

Present

The Hon^{ble} Samuel Wells Esq
Joshua Winslow Esq.
George Craddock Esq.
Byfield Lyde Esq.
Foster Hutchinson Esq.
Nathaniel Balston Esq.
John Hill Esq.
Belcher Noyes Esq.
William Story Esq.
John Avery Esq.

Justices of the Peace

[38.]

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.

Selectmen

The Memorial of Benjamin Church setting forth that he had the misfortune of having a House burnt in the late Fire & another occupied by Hanners and Smith valued at One hundred and Sixty Pounds pulled down to the Ground in order to prevent the spreading of the Fire, and praying that satisfaction may be made him agreeable to an Act of this Province made in the fourth Year of William and Mary, and as in Justice shall appertain, was read, and after the Memorialist had been heard by Council, and a number of Witnesses examined, as also some of the Firewards, who were present at said Fire — It was Voted unanimously that no allowance be made the said Memorialist for the loss of his House, it appearing to satisfaction that said House was actually on Fire before any legal Orders were given for pulling down the same.

The Petition of William Price was also read — Praying that he may have reasonable satisfaction for a Building pulled down at a late Fire for reasons more fully set forth in the Petition.

After Debate the Question was put, viz^t. Whether any allowance should be made said Price — Passed in the Negative.

[39.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 16, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Cap^t. Josiah Gorham of Sloop Diana arrived from Philadelphia, Reports — That he left that City twelve Days ago with four Seamen, and on his coming down the River he perceived the Small Pox upon one of his Men, which Person he put on shore at New Castle — that no one of his hands have had said Distemper besides, but is very apprehensive that himself or some of them may have taken the Infection — whereupon

Voted, that the Sloop be immediately ordered to Rainsfords Island, and that the following Letter be sent M^r. Hartley

Boston April 16, 1763.

Sir

This will be delivered you by Cap^t. Josiah Gorham of the Sloop Diana who is arrived from Philadelphia; since he left that place he has had one of his Men taken down with the Small Pox who he left at New Castle; he is fearful that himself and the rest of his Men are in danger of having that Distemper, he and his Men will therefore continue on board his Vessell, and if any of them should complain you must take them on shore and bestow your utmost care on them

Your Friends & Servants

JOHN SCOLLAY
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 NATHANIEL THWING
 Selectmen

[40.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 19, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis

Cap^t. Amos Otis Master of Schooner Dolphin from South Carolina was stopt at Castle William, and came before us upon examination he declares that he left Charlestown in South Carolina the second Day of April, and that it is thirteen Days since he came out of the Road, that he arrived in Charlestown the 28 of November last and on the first of March following he was taken with the Small Pox on Shore where he continued till he was entirely recovered, he had it so favourably that in ten Days he was able to walk abroad; the Cloths he had with him when on Shore were all left there & that he knows of nothing on board which has been exposed to Infection his Cargo consists of Corn Rice and Pork, he has but one Man on board that has not had the Small Pox, and proposes to leave him at Stones or Lovels Island — He further saith that he has Sole Leather on board, but that the same was brought from the Tan yard before the Small Pox was known to be at that Place — whereupon

Voted, that the said Otis be permitted to bring up his Vessell provided he leaves the man who has not had the Small Pox, at Lovels Island; And that the following Letter be sent his Excellency Governor Bernard.

[41.] May it please your Excellency

Cap^t. Amos Otis Master of Schooner Dolphin from South Carolina came before us, his Vessell having been stopt at Castle William as a precaution to preserve this Town from Infection, we have examined him and apprehend he may be permitted to come up without endangering the Health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency sees fit. We are

Your Excellencys

Most Obed^t Humble Servants

JOHN SCOLLAY

BENJ^A. AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen

Boston April 19. 1768

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 20, 1768.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing

M^r. William Moore apply'd on the 13^t. Instant for liberty to open a Drain or Common Shore near M^r. Jackson's Distilling House, in order to clear or repair the same; and having notified all Persons who are interested therein as the Law directs, and no Objection being as yet made to said Moores proceeding therein.

[42.] Voted, that he have liberty to open the same upon condition that he forthwith make good the Ground & Pavement and keep the same in Repair to the Satisfaction of the Selectmen.

M^r. Gibbins Sharp Master of Engine N. — apply'd to the Selectmen in behalf of his Company for the Premium allow'd by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first at the late Fire which broke out at M^r. Thorntons House Cops Hill — whereupon —

Voted, that he have a Draft for his Premium accordingly.

M^r. Donnett apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to put down two Posts in Foxs Street near Woods Lane, whereupon — Mess^{rs}. Austin and Sewall were appointed to view the Ground, and Report whether it may be done without inconvenience to the Town.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen April 22^d, 1768.

Present

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island appear'd and Reported, That the Sloop Diana Josiah Gorham Master from Philadelphia, which has lain at said Island sometime past, had been thoroughly smoked and cleansed, and was now in a condition to leave the Island with safety to the [43.] Inhabitants — whereop. Voted, that the said Schooner be permitted to leave the Island, and that a Certificate of her being in Circumstances to come up to Town be given the Governor accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 25, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Voted, that the Town Clerk serve M^r. Payne the Miller with one of the printed Acts of the Province entitled an Act declaring and regulating the Standard of Wheat for preventing abuses by Millers and that he inform him that the Selectmen design to inspect the Mills at the Time appointed to see if he has confirmed to said Act.

An attested Copy of the above Vote as also the Act referred to was sent M^r. Payne by M^r. Williston.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 27, 1763.

The following was sent the Selectmen of Medway Viz^t.
 Gentlemen.

Margaret Benneway one of the French Neutrals is now in this Town in a suffering condition; as she was assigned to your Town by the General Court we give you this notice that you may provide for her as soon as possible, some [44.] Expence has already arisen, which must be defreyed by your Town

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER Town Clerk

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows. Viz^t.

	lb.	oz.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf		6 -	4
Wheaten		9 -	8
Houshold		12 -	10
Two Peny White Loaf		12 -	10
Wheaten	1 -	2 -	14
Houshold	1 -	9 -	4
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	3 -	8 -	5
Houshold	4 -	8 -	2
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	7 -		1
Houshold	9 -	7 -	7
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1 -	6 -	4
Mem ^o . 7 Biskets must weigh	1 -	9 -	4

A 4^d. Loaf Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$

Rye Meal

2 - 5 - 14

David Wheeler Master of Engine N^o. 8 attended, and proposed Thomas Wheeler and Ebenezer Hinckley as Engine Men in the room of Adam Colson and Joseph Elliot who declined serving,

Voted, that the said Wheeler & Hinckley be admitted Engine Men in said Wheelers Company.

[45.] Capt. David Wheeler of Engine N^o. 8 apply'd to the Selectmen in behalf of his Company for the Premiun allowed by the Town for bringing their Engine to work first upon the Fire which lately broke out at M^r. Thomas Brinleys Dwelling House S^e. End.

Voted, that said Premiun be allowed him accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, April 29, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Cap^t. Thomas Davis of Sloop Caty from South Carolina attended at the Selectmens Chamber, and being questioned Reports — That he has been twenty two Days from that place, all his People well — was but seven Days in Charlestown Harbour, when but two of his hands went on Shore, they having had the Small Pox & that the Cargo consists wholly of Rice.

Voted, that the Cap^t. have liberty to come up with his Sloop to Town; and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 4, 1763. —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[46.] Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. Robert Williams attended and desired liberty to take a quantity of Stones out of the Waste Cellars occasioned by the Fire, he engaging to fill up the same at his own charge

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin be a Committee to act upon this Affair.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Free holders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston (within their Precincts) that have an Estate of Forty Shillings p. Annum in Free hold in Land within this Province or Territory, at the least, or other Estate to the value of Forty Pounds Sterling, to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the tenth of May Current at Nine O'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to Elect and Depute one or more Persons, (being Free holders and Resident in the Town)

according to the Number set and limited by an Act of the General Assembly, to Serve for and Represent them in the Great and General Court or Assembly appointed to be Convened held and kept for his Majestys Service in the Court House in Boston upon Wednesday the 25th. of said May, and so de Die in Diem, during their Session & Sessions according to a Precept under the Hand and Seal of Stephen Greenleaff Esq. Sheriff of the County of Suffolk bearing Date the twentyth Day of April in the Third Year of his Majestys [47.] Reign Annoq Domini 1763.

And alike requiring them to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of said Town qualified as the Law directs to Meet at the same Time and Place to Consider of the Petition of the Proprietors of the Long Wharff for leave to Extend the Pier of said Wharff twenty feet on the North side; To know the mind of the Inhabitants about opening Faneuil Hall Market; To receive the Reports of the Towns Committees on several affairs; To choose such Officers as may be wanting and to act upon all those Matters and Things that stand refer'd over to said Meeting.

NB. The Poll for the choice of Representatives will be closed at Twelve o'Clock and a strict Scrutiny made as to the Qualification of the Voters.

Voted, that the Rev^d. M^r. Byles be desired to open the Town Meeting the 10 instant with Prayer, and that Mess. _____ be a Committee to acquaint him therewith.

Voted, that Richard Draper having the Printing of the Notyfications. for May Meeting.

Complaint having been made that the Chimnies of a House in Back Street owned by M^r. Samuel Ballard and let to one Shirley a Frenchman, are insufficient & dangerous.

Mess^{rs}. Thomas Atkins and John Brown were impower'd and desired to survey the same and make Report as soon as may be.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 9, 1763.

Present.

[48.] John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Isaac Smith Esq. Owner, and one of the Seamen belonging to Schooner Lark attended and informed the Selectmen that said Schooner John McKeen Master from the Havannah in thirty Days passage, is stopt at Castle William as a precaution against Infectious Distempers — that all the People on board are well and have had no Sickness on board since they left the Havannah, nor have they any Goods on board likely to convey Infection.

Voted, that said Schooner be permitted to come up to Town and a Certificate given the Governor accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 4, 1763. —

Voted, That whenever any of the Constables of the Watch or the Watchmen are absent from Duty, the Town Clerk shall and he is hereby directed to notice the same when he makes the Monthly Draft, and that the several Constables of the Watch &

their Men be made up in the Draft for such Time only as they respectively attend.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 11, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Committee appointed to Survey the Chimnies M^r. Shirleys [49.] House Reported Copy of the Warrant appointing them and the Return is as follows.

Sir,

Complaint having been made to us that the Chimnies of the House in Back Street owned by M^r. Samuel Ballard and let to one Shirley a French Man are insufficient and dangerous — We do desire and impower you to survey the same, and Report to us your Judgment concerning them.

THOMAS CUSHING
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS
NATHANIEL THWING
Selectmen of Boston.

Boston May 4^t. 1763

To Mess^{rs}. Thomas Atkins & John Brown.
Boston May 5. 1763

M^r. Brown not being in Town I have surveyed the within mentioned Chimnies, and think it absolutely necessary that no Fire should be made in said Chimnies untill it is raised as it is very dangerous to the Town, the Roof being higher than the Chimnies and Joining to it.

THOMAS ATKINS.

Since the above I have seen the aforementioned Chimnies, it is not safe and must be immediately topt

JOHN BROWN

In consequence of the above Return the following Letter was sent M^r. Shirley.

Boston, May 11th. 1763

Sir, Upon Complaint made by a number of the Inhabitants of the Town of defects in the Chimnies of the House occupied by you, we issued our Warrant for a Survey; a Copy of the Return [50.] On said Warrant you have herewith. Agreeable to the direction of the Law in that case made and provided, we hereby warn you not to make any Fires in said Chimnies, till the defects are cured either by amending repairing or rebuilding said Chimnies as you would avoid the penalty of said Law.

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston.

SELECTMEN'S MINUTES, 1763.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin be a C that the Market under Faneuil Hall be repair'd was formerly finished, saving that the Doors be Walls.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Austin be direct in the levelling the Ground near the Doc procure for the Labourers, Shovels, Hoes Pick &c.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 14, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Petition of James Hall of Boston Dist approbation of the Select men for a License to Liquors — was read — whereupon, Voted that it accordingly.

[51.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen May 11

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. John Mico Wendell attended, and desired the Selectmen to turn his Cow into the Church Bury

James Bows, Negro, now in the Alms house depart that House; having very bad Feet he is d himself under the care of a certain Country D whereupon M^r. Williston was directed to acquire said Negro might depart when and where he ple

M^r. Benjamin Fitch acquaints the Selectmen into one of his Houses as Tenents, one James French Neutrals, and last from the Town of Da

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 20, 1763

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^{rs}. Dommatt whose Husband died lately i desired the approbation of the Selectmen for a retail Spiritous Liquer; the decease of her Husl such an application necessary within the Year.

Voted, that She be accordingly approbated, b dition that she only sells Wine & West India Spi she had done in the life time of her deceased H

Voted, That the following Advertisement be publish'd in all the Monday & Thursdays Prints.

The Town of Boston having at their last Meeting Voted to Erect a small Brick Building in addition to the House Mr. John Lovel now Occupys — Any Carpenters and Masons Inhabitants of the Town inclining to undertake the same may by applying to the Town Clerk know the Dimensions and the manner in which it is to be finished, and are desired to send their Proposals Sealed to the Selectmen of said Town by the first Wednesday of June next, when they will be considered and the preference given to those that may appear most for the advantage of the Town.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 21, 1763 —

Present

John Scollay Esq

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Cap^t. Daniel Maccarthy Master of the Ship Sally from [53.] Kingsate in Ireland, upon Examination declares, he left said place the 23^d. March and this Day arrived at Nantasket Road, that Benjamin Floyd Mate of said Ship was taken with the Small Pox about the first of April last and died the tenth of said Month, as soon as he expired the Corpse was flung over board and all his Bedding, the Cabbin where he lay was well cleansed by washing it with hot Water and afterwards with Vinegar; his Cabbin was in the round House upon the Quarter Deck — that there was two Seamen and two young Children Passengers on board, who had never had the Small Pox, the two Children were kept below at a distance from any Infection, and the two Seamen avoided everything that was apprehended would endanger their taking the Infection — the said Maccarthy further declares that he apprehends there is not the least danger of Infection from said Vessel or People, and doth promise and engage that if the said two Seamen or the Children mentioned above should complain or sicken he will immediately acquaint the Selectmen; that they may be so seasonable taken care of as to prevent their communicating the Infection to any of the Inhabitants.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 22^d. 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

[54.]

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Cap^t. Benjamin Thompson of Briggandine Havannah informs — That he left the Havannah the third of May, that they are all well on board, and have had no Sickness among them since they left said place neither have they any thing on board liable to retain Infection — being stopt at Castle William he desires liberty to come up to Town with his Vessel as soon as possible — whereupon

Voted, — that he be permitted to come up to Town with his Brigandine, and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

Last Saturday the Selectmen gave a Certificate as the Law directs relative to a Drain in Sherdens Lane repair'd by M^r. Moore.

The Town Clerk is directed to give in to the Court of Sessions, the Names of Mess^{rs}. Eliphalet Parker, Cornelius Thayer & John Edwards, all of whom the Selectmen recommend as proper Persons, to be appointed Measurers of Wheat for this Port, which duty was accordingly performed by said Clerk.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, May 30, 1763.

Present

[55.] John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Seven Shillings p. Bushel for Wheat and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

Of Peny White Loaf	6 - 4
Wheaten	9 - 8
Houshold	12 - 10
Two Peny White Loaf	12 - 10
Wheaten	1 - 2 - 14
Houshold	1 - 9 - 4
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	3 - 8 - 5
Houshold	4 - 8 - 2
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	7 - 1 -
Houshold	9 - 7 - 7
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1 - 6 - 4
Mem. 7 Biskets must weigh	1 - 9 - 4
a 4 ^d . Loaf Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$	
Rye Meal	2 - 5 - 14

Mess^{rs}. Cushing Austin and Lewis appointed a Committee to see that M^r. Daltons Shops are removed; and to open the Street from Water Street at the End of Leaverets Lane, into Milk Street.

[56.] Mess^{rs}. Scollay and Thwing appointed a Committee to open the Street from Water Street at the End of Mackerel Lane into Milk Street.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 1, 1763.

Present

Sameul Hews Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley attended, and Reports, That James Davis is now well recovered from the Small Pox — that all his Cloaths have been Air'd and Smoked, and that in his Opinion he may now leave the Island without any danger of carrying the Infection from thence.

Voted that said Davis may have liberty to leave Rainsfords Island as soon as he pleases; and that the Town Clerk write the Selectmen of Gloucester desiring them to order immediate payment to M^r. Hartly for his Bill of Charges amounting to Nine Pound eight Shillings.

Voted, that the Town Clerk write the Selectmen of Newbury desiring they to make payment to M^r. Thomas Hartley for his Bill of Charge in Nursing Samuel Brockins who was sent to the Hospital sick of the Small Pox, which Bill amounts to Five Pound Nine Shillings and four Pence.

Boston June 1, 1763

Gentlemen

[57.] You have inclosed M^r. Hartleys Account of the Charge that has arisen for boarding and nursing one James Davis of your place, sent by you to your Hospital where he has had the Small Pox; we desire you will order immediate payment said Davis being poor and unable to discharge the Debt himself
By Order of the Select men

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk

To the Selectmen of Gloucester.

Boston June 1. 1763

Gentlemen

You have inclosed M^r. Hartleys Account of the Charge that has arisen for Boarding and Nursing one Samuel Brockins of your place left at our Hospital sick of the Small Pox — As said Brockins was not in Circumstances to defrey his Charges we desire you would do it immediately. M^r. Hartley having been long out of his Mony

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk

To The Selectmen of Newbury

At a Meeting of the Selectmen June 10, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

John Erving Esq. apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to [58.]
Open a Drain from his House in Summer Street into the Common Shore.

Voted, that liberty be granted provided the Pavement is restored and the Street repaved to the Satisfaction of the Select men.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 15. 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. John Peck apply'd to the Selectmen for their Opinion whether a solid Foundation can be had for a Warehouse he purposes to erect on his Wharff against his Dwelling House without great and extraordinary expence. Where upon Mess^{rs}. Sewall and Lewis were appointed a Committee for the above purpose.

M^r. James Barnard Master of Engine N^o. 3. appear'd and desired another Person might be appointed in his room, as he declin'd serving any longer in that Office; whereupon,

Voted, that M^r. Jonathan Jenkins be and hereby is appointed to that service in his room, and that the Town Clerk give him his Orders as Master of Engine N^o. 3.

M^r. Jonathan Jenkins Master of Engine N^o. 3 attended [59.] And proposed Henry Libitter as a proper Person to fill up the vacancy in his Company occasioned by the late Masters resignation, who was accordingly approved of by the Select men.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 22^d. 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Whereas the Pavement in several Streets at the North End of the Town are much broken and out of Repair.

Voted that M^r. Scollay and Austin be a Committee to engage M^r. Thornton and Fosdick to repair the same immediately, as also to order the End of Treemont Street to be paved, if they shall it necessary.

Voted, that the Selectmen Visit the Publick Schools in this Town on Wednesday the twenty-ninth Day of June Instant, and that the following Gentlemen be desired to accompany them therein — Viz^t

His Excellency the Governor

His Honor the Lieut. Governor

The Hon^{ble}. John Osborne Esq

The Hon^{ble}. Andrew Oliver Esq.

The Hon^{ble} Thomas Hubbard Esq.

[60.] The Hon^{ble} Harrison Gray Esq.

The Hon^{ble}. Thomas Flucker Esq.

The Gentlemen the Representatives of the Town

The Gentlemen the Overseers of the Poor

The Rev^d. Joseph Sewall D.D.

The Rev^d. Charles Chauncey D.D.

The Rev^d. Jonathan Mayhew D.D.

The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley

The Rev^d. Ebenezer Pemberton

The Rev^d. Samuel Mather

The Rev^d. Mather Byles

The Rev^d. Andrew Elliot

The Rev^d. Samuel Cooper

The Rev^d. Samuel Checkley Jun^r.

The Rev^d. Alexander Cummings
 Joseph Jackson Esq.
 Henry Lytle Esq.
 Byfield Lyde Esq.
 Arnold Wills Esq.
 Nicholas Boylston Esq.
 M^r. James Perkins
 M^r. Nathaniel Coffin
 M^r. John Melvill
 Jeremiah Green Esq.

[61.] M^r. Thomas Grey
 Nathaniel Bethune Esq.
 John Winthrop Esq.
 M^r. Samuel Philips Savage
 M^r. Joseph Waldo
 M^r. Mansfield of Marblehead
 M^r. Treasurer Jeffries
 M^r. Samuel Downe
 M^r. Benjamin Parker
 Leonard Jervis Esq.
 Cap^t. Jonathan Clark
 Benjamin Hallowell Esq.
 Cap^t. Ichabod Jones
 M^r. Edward Foster
 M^r. Samuel Grant

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 25^t, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Cap^t. Ebenezer Brockway in the Sloop Polly Reports, That he left Charlestown in South Carolina the 13^t Instant, and are all well on board not having had any sickness on board since their departure from thence — that they have not any thing on board [62.] Liable to retain Infection; and therefore desired leave to come up to Town, — whereupon,

Voted, that Cap^t. Brockway have liberty to come to Boston with his Vessel, and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, June 27, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. James Thomas applied to the Selectmen in behalf of Ann Johnson for liberty to break up the Ground at the Head of Prince Street in order to cleanse a private Drain belonging to said Thomas, whereupon —

Voted, that liberty be accordingly granted, provided she makes good the Ground and restores the Pavement as soon as the Drain is cleansed to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

This Day agreed with M^r. Weld of Roxbury to supply the Town with what Gravel may be wanted for paving &c at two Shillings lawful money p. load.

[63.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 1, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shilling and two Pence p. Bushel, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains, and Livelihood

	l.	ox.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf	0	- 7	- 2
Wheaten		10	- 11
Houshold		14	- 4
Two Peny White Loaf		14	- 4
Wheaten	1	- 5	- 6
Houshold	1	- 12	- 8
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4	- 0	- 3
Houshold	5	- 5	- 9
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	8	- 0	- 5
Houshold	10	- 11	- 2
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1	- 9	- 8
N.B. 7 Biskets must weigh	1	- 12	- 8
a 4 ^d Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$			
Rye Meal must weigh	2	- 10	- 12

At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 6, 1763.

[64.]

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The Selectmen being at Rainsfords Island to view the Hospital; Cap^t. David Brace of Briggandine Polly, just arrived from Bristol attended; and Reports That he left Bristol about the 20th. of May; that the Fryday coming will make one Month since one of his Hands was taken down with the Small Pox, when he was for a few Days confined to his Cabin — that there is no one on board his Vessell but what has formerly had the Distemper, and nothing between Decks, liable to receive & Convey Infection — whereupon

Voted, That Cap^t. Brace have liberty to come up to Town with his Vessell, provided he first lands at Rainsford Island the Person who has been sick together with his Bed, Bedding, Cloths, and every other thing liable to receive Infection — and that the following Directions be given M^r. Hartley in writing — Viz^t.

Mr. Thomas Hartley

You are to receive on your Island one Samuel Harvard who who came in Cap^t. Brace from Bristol [65.] And had the Small Pox on Board his Vessell about a Month past, as also his Bed, Bedding, Cloths and such other Articles, as were likely to receive Infection — You must see that the Vessel &c. is well smoked and cleansed; and Report to us your procedure

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 7, 1763 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Mr. Thomas Hartley, Reported, that he had received from Cap^t. Brace the Man who had the Small Pox on Board his Vessell together with his Bed Bedding Cloths and such other Articles as were likely to retain any Infection — that the Vessell has been cleansed and smoked and in his Opinion may now leave the Island with safety to the Inhabitants of the Province — whereupon —

Voted, that Cap^t. Brace be allowed to leave Rainsfords Island with his Vessell next Saturday Morning, and that Orders be given **Mr. Hartley** to that purpose, and that the following Certificate be sent his Excellency the Governor.

[66.] May it please your Excellency

David Brace Master of Briggandine Polly from Bristol stopt at Rainsfords Island as a precaution against the spreading of Infectious Distempers, having been examined by us; we are of Opinions said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the Health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency think proper — we are

Your Excellencys

Most Obed^t. Hum. Servants

THOMAS CUSHING

JOHN SCOLLAY

BENJAMIN AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

Boston July 7^t. 1763

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

Boston, July 8. 1763.

Mr. Thomas Hartley

You are to permit the Briggandine Polly Cap^t. Brace to leave Rainsford Island next Saturday Morning, said Vessell having been as you Reported to us sufficiently cleansed and smoked, provided you are first satisfied for the Charge you have been at

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk

[67.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 13^t, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Holyoke informs that M^r. Vassall having paved that part of the Street which is Opposite to his School, the Water is by that means turned upon his House, he therefore prays the Selectmen to view said Street, and give such Orders as they may Judge expedient — where upon M^r. Scollay & M^r. Austin were appointed a Committee for the above purpose as also to view Cambridge Street.

Rev^d. M^r. Samuel Mather this Day apply'd to the Selectmen for leave to open the Common Shore near his Tenements situated near Clarks Ship Yard — upon which liberty was accordingly given him he following the steps of the Law therein.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 15, 1763. —

Present

John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[68.] Cap^t. Prince Gorham of Sloop Three Friends, from South Carolina, appear'd; and upon examination declares That he left that place eleven Days past, and that his People are all well, neither has he any thing on board liable to retain Infection, his Cargo consisting wholly of Rice — That the Small Pox has much abated at Carolina and as he was told there was but a few People down with it when he left Charlestown, there being in about ten Families; no one of his Hands, are now complaining of any indisposition, but if this should be the case he will immediately acquaint the Selectmen therewith, that they may be sent down to the Hospital at Rainsford Island — wherenpon,

Voted, that Cap^t. Gorham of the above named Vessel stopt at Castle Willaim on Account of the Small Pox, be permitted to come up with her to this Town, and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

M^r. John Harkins informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his House as a Journey Man one David Batchelder who came last from Uptown

M^r. Benjamin Fitch acquainted the Selectmen, that he had taken into a House of his at West Boston on James Abear a French Neutral, as a Tenant.

[69.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen July 21, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

It being represented by M^r. Thayer who has contracted to build

a new Kitchen to Mr. Lovels House, that the back part of said House, is covered only with Clap Boards, which are rotten, and so is exposed to the Weather.

Voted, that Mr. Thayer be directed to Board, and new Clap Board, such part of the Northerly side of said House as will not be covered & secured by the New Kitchen.

Mr. John Mico Wendell informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his Family as a Maid Servant one Lucy Webber a Young Women, who came from Old York Eastward.

Mr. Kennedy apply'd to the Selectmen last May for liberty to open a Drain from a House of hers in Writing School Street, and liberty was accordingly granted, she taking the steps of the Law &c.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 25, 1763.

Present

[70.] Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Six Shillings & two Pence p. Bushel & four Pence p. Bushel is allowed the Bakers for their Charges Pains & Livelihood —

	l.	os.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf	0	7	2
Wheaten		10	11
Houshold		14	4
Two Peny White Loaf		14	4
Wheaten	1	5	6
Houshold	1	12	8
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4	-	3
Houshold	5	5	9
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	8	-	5
Houshold	10	11	2
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1	9	8
NB. 7 Biskets must weigh	1	12	8
a 4 ^d Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat			
$\frac{1}{2}$ Rye Meal must weigh	2	10	12

[71.] Voted, that Isaac Townsend be and hereby is admitted Constable of the North Watch in the room of John Dorrington who has lately left said Watch, his Wages as Constable to commence from the first of August next; and the Town Clerk, is directed to furnish him with the necessary Orders for his governments & procedure in that trust.

Mr. Townsend Constable of the North Watch acquainted the Selectmen that there was a vacancy in his Watch; and proposed William Austin as a suitable Person to fill it up.

Voted, that William Austin be & hereby is admitted as a Watchman in the North Watch.

Passed upon Thomas Willistons Province Account amounting to £ —, Copy of which is on file.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 27, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

[72]. David Wheeler Master of Engine N^o. 8 apply'd in behalf of his Company for the Premium allowed by the Town for their playing first with their Engine at the Fire which lately broke out at Robert Popes Dwelling House South End. Voted, that the Premium of 13/4 be allowed him accordingly.

Passed upon D^r. Nyot Doubts Province Account amounting to £. 158-4-4- as p. Account of particulars on file.

Voted, that Benjamin Burdick be and hereby is admitted Constable of the Town House Watch in the room of Francis Salmon who his resign'd on Account of indisposition of Body, his Wages as Constable to commence the first of August next. And the Town Clerk is directed to furnish him with the necessary Orders.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, July 30, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Joseph Doggett Master of the Brigg^{ne} Argo, attended at the Selectmens Chamber, and Reports- That he left Charlestown in South Carolina the 10^t Instant, and was this Day as coming up stopt at Castle William — that he has nothing on board liable [73.] To retain Infection, his Cargo consisting wholly of Rice Himself and one of his Hands have not had the Small Pox, but they are at present hearty and well, and in case they should be taken with any Symptoms of the Distempers, will immediately acquaint the Selectmen therewith- whereupon,

Voted, that Capt. Dogget be permitted to come up to Town with his Vessell, and that a Certificate be given the Governor accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 1, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

William Colman attended, and desired liberty to dig up the

Pavement and open the Ground near his House in Milk Street to repair his Drain — Liberty is accordingly hereby granted, upon Condition that he forth with make good the Ground and Pavement again to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

The Honourable John Osborne Esq. Chairman of a [74.] Committee of Council having apply'd to the Selectmen for the use of Faneuil Hall to Dine a number of Gentlemen on Wednesday next, being the Day Peace is to be Proclaimed —

Liberty is accordingly granted.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 8, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The Selectmen passed July the — upon the List of Persons licensed the last Year to sell Strong Drink as Retailers & Inholders within this Town, which was Approved excepting such as are dead, removed, or married as therein noted.

And also passed upon the Petitions for Licenses for the Year ensuing, and the following Persons only were approved and Recommended — Viz^t.

Benjamin Hammatt, at a House Adjoining to his Distilling House near the North Burying Ground — as a Retailer

[75.] Isaac Pierce, at a House Adjoining M^r. Holmes's Distilling House — As a Retailer

Nathaniel Edy, at his House by Gardner's Lane near the Old North Church.

Robert Whatley, at his House adjoining Deacon Tudors House — As an Inholder — but upon Condition that he continues Manufacturing Strong Beer in the manner he has done for some Years past.

John Mayes, at his House at the South End lately M^r. Blake's — As an Inholder.

M^r William Reed informed the Selectmen, August 5, that he had let a House in Pleasant Street belonging to the Heirs of Benjamin Peck lately deceased, unto Charles Harrison Esq. a Gentleman of a good Estate, who came from New York the 20th of July last with his Wife Neice & Servants, and is a Gentleman of good Character & Estate.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Aug. 18, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[76.] Benjamin Austin Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The following Letters were wrote & forwarded, Viz.
Gentlemen

You have herewith Thomas Hartleys Account for nursing attendance and boarding James Davis who was sent from your Town to Rainsfords Island, sick with the Small Pox—you will immediately send the amount thereof to us, or to the said Hartley which will prevent farther difficulty to you and to us—Read the Act for regulating the Hospital at Rainsfords Island—We have wrote you before on this occasion of which you have taken no notice

Your Humble Servants

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
EZEKIEL LEWIS
SAMUEL SEWALL
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
Selectmen of Boston

To the Selectmen of Gloucester.
1763, May

M^r. James Davis to Thomas Hartley — D^r.

To 4 Weeks, Board, & attendance

in the Small Pox @ 32/ £ - 6 - 8

5 Weeks Board @ 12/ - - - - - 3 -

£ - 9 - 8

Boston, Aug. 18, 1763

[77.]
Gentlemen

We wrote you June 1st. and desired payment of the charge of boarding and nursing one Samuel Brockings of your place while sick of the Small Pox, at the Pest House; the amount as by an Account then inclosed being £. 5 - 9 - 4 lawful money, of which Letter you have taken no notice. You'l please read the Act for regulating the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, when we doubt not you will order M^r. Hartley immediate payment—If you should act otherwise you cannot be insensible what will then be our duty.

Your Humble Servants

THOMAS CUSHING
SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS
Selectmen of Boston

To the Selectmen of the Town of Newbury.

M^r. Thomas Gray having made application to the Selectmen for their Opinion whether a solid Foundation can be had for a Building he proposes to Erect on his Land without great Expence, and said Land having been viewed by the Selectmen.

Voted, that it is their Opinion that no Solid Foundation can be obtain'd without very great Expence.

[78.] Mr. John Peck having made application to the Selectmen for their opinion whether a solid Foundation can be had for a Building he proposes to Erect on his Wharff against his Dwelling House, without great & Extraordinary Expence, and said Land been view'd by the Selectmen.

Voted, that it is their Opinion that no solid Foundation can be obtain'd without very great Expence.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Aug. 29, 1763

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk issue forth a Warrant directed to the Constables of Boston.

In His Majestys Name requiring them forthwith to Warn all the Freeholders and other Inhabitants of the Town of Boston duly qualified and rateable at Twenty Pounds Estate to a single Rate, beside the Poll, to Convene at Faneuil Hall on Tuesday the Sixth Day of September next at 9. o'Clock in the Forenoon, then and there to consider of the Petitions of [79.] a number of the Inhabitants, praying that the Town, would take some Measures that a certain slip of Land lying on the North side of Water Street, may be annexed to said Streets, Of the request of other of the Inhabitants that some method may be taken to remove the Nusance in the passage Way from the Main Street leading to the Common called Hog Alley ; To determine whether any method shall be taken to preserve Deer Island Head from the farther incroachments of the Sea ; Whether they will take any more effectual Measures for the preventing Chimnies so frequently taking Fire ; Whether any farther steps can now be taken for the more speedy & effectual supply of the Overseers of the Poor with Money for the purchasing Necessaries for the Alms-house ; Whether they will improve the indulgence of the General Court which by a late Law permits the Town to Elect and appoint four Meet Persons as Fire-Wards in addition to the present number of twelve, who shall serve in that Office, untill the Annaversary meeting in March next — Also that the Sense of the Town may be taken relative to a Bill now pending in the General Court " Intituled an Act for making more effectual an Act for directing new Rates and Taxes to be granted by the General Court, as also Town, County & Precinot Rates shall be Assessed and Collected." To receive the Reports of several Committees and to act upon all such other matters and Things as may properly come before [80.] Said Meeting.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Thomas and John Fleet, have the printing of the Notifications for the ensuing Town Meeting.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread, at

the Rate of Six Shillings and two Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges Pains and Livelihood —

	l.	os.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf	0	7	2
Wheaten		10	11
Houshold		14	4
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Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4	“	8
Houshold	5	5	9
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	8	“	5
Houshold	10	11	2
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1	9	8
NB. 7 Biskets must weigh	1	12	8
a 4 ^d . Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat			
$\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh	2	10	12

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, August 31, 1763.

[81.]

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

John Ruddock Esq. one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1761 having produced Receipts from the several Treasurers in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer to pay him £. 126 - 14 - 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ being his $\frac{1}{4}$ part of the Premium allowed the Four Collectors for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

M^r. Samuel Treat was sent for, and acquainted by the Select men, that the Towns Committee relative to the Circular Line, had given them information, that he was about Erecting a Building at the end of his Wharff which would inroach on said Line — they therefore warned him against, and forbid his carrying out said Building so far as should inroach in any manner on that Line.

The Account of the Expences on opening and repairing a Drain of the Rev^d. M^r. Mathers, was laid before the Select men and examined — M^r. Mather having satisfied them that he had notified all Persons who are interested therein as the Law [82.] Directs; and they not having as yet made any objection to his procedure therein — Assessment was made on the Concerned and an order for Payment committed to M^r. John Sweetser appointed to Collect the same.

Passed upon M^r. Samuel Procter Keeper of the Alms House's Province Accounts amounting to the Sums of £. 288 - 19 - 8 $\frac{1}{2}$ and £. 23 - 5 - 10 - as p. Copy of his Accounts of particulars on file.

Passed upon M^r. Samuel Hews's Province Account which amounted to the Sum of £. 15 - and is for the passage of Henry Stanney & John Tyrrel and Wife, in a Vessell of his Commanded by Cap^t. Trotter and bound for London.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 7, 1763 —

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. Thomas Milliken applied to the Selectmen for liberty to open a Drain or Common Shore opposite the Red Lyon in Fish Street, in order to clear or repair the same; and was directed by them to Notify all Persons concerned [83.] And interested therein, as the Law directs; that they might have an Opportunity to enter their Objections, if any they had to his proceeding therein.

M^r. Elihu Hewes appears and acquaints the Select Men that he has taken into his Family as a Nurse, one Hannah Blake, who as she declares, lived last at Salem.

M^r. Isaac Tuckerman apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to remove a Building from the West part of the Town to a Spot of Ground near M^r. Hallowells Ship-Yard — And the Selectmen having considered his proposal.

Voted, that the same be not granted.

The Selectmen this Day Certified the Hon^{ble}. His Majesties Council, that they had agreed with Cap^t. Thomas for the Passage of Cap^t. Manger to the Island of Jersey for fifteen Guineas; said Manger is a distracted Person, and has been a long while at the Almshouse at the Province Expence.

Voted, that Mess^{rs}. Edes and Gill have the printing of the Notifications of the Adjournment of the Town Meeting as also the Bill which is now pending in the General Court relative to the Collectors of Taxes — the Town having voted that the same be printed and dispersed among the Inhabitants.

[84.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 9, 1763

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The Selectmen have this Day Agreed with M^r. Wales, to Re-build as soon as possible the Engine House near M^r. Allens at the South part of the Town; he to find all the necessary Materials, — and when the same is finished to the satisfaction of the Selectmen, they are to pay him therefor the Sum of Four Pounds lawful Mony.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 15, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Deacon Daniel Jones attended, and requested of the Select men, that they would appoint three suitable Persons to Adjust & Settle & lay out, the Line between his Land [85.] & M^r. John Sweetsters, who is about Erecting a Fence which he apprehends will come within his Bounds.

M^{rs}. Kenneday having laid before the Selectmen an Account of the Expences on opening and repairing a Drain or Common Shore near her House, which has been examined and found right cast, and according to custom; And it having been made appear that she had notified the Concerned according to Law; and no objection was entred to her proceeding in said work; The Selectmen Assessed the several Persons interested, or receiving benefit by said Common Shore, their proportionable part of the whole Charge, and impowered M^r. John Procter to Collect the Same for his Mother the said M^{rs}. Kennedy.

M^r. Thomas Milliken attended and informed the Selectmen that he had agreeable to their directions, Notified the Proprietors, of the Drain in Fish Street, that he had apply'd to them for liberty to open and repair the same; and also gave in a List of the Names of those Persons he had thus Notified as on file — At the same Time appeared several Persons whose Names were in said List. viz^t. M^{rs}. Mills, M^r. Adams, Cap^t. Wingfield for M^{rs}. Fessenden, and M^r. Capron who objected to their being made liable to defrey any part of the Charge that may arise by means of said Repair, but not against the design itself whereupon it was determined that their Objections should be taken into consideration, before the Select men proceeded to make any Assessment.

[86.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 20, 1763. —
 Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

This Day endorsed His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq^r's Warrant on M^r. Treasurer Gray in favor of the Selectmen of the Town of Boston for the Sum of Two hundred eighty-eight pounds nineteen Shillings and 8^d. $\frac{1}{4}$ being for the support of sundry indigent Persons in the Alms house on the Province Charge; which Warrant was delivered M^r. Treasurer Jeffries, who is to receive and account for the same.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Septem^r. 28, 1763.

M^r. Samuel Treat having made application to the Selectmen for their Opinion whether a solid Foundation can be obtained for a Brick Building he is about to Erect on his new Wharff without

great and extraordinary Expence, and said Land having been view'd by the Selectmen.

Voted, that it is their Opinion that no solid Foundation can be had for such a Building without great Expence.

Cap^l. Jonathan Clark appear'd and Complained, [87.] That the Chimnies of a House in Long Lane next to his own Dwelling have not been swept for a long while, by which neglect the whole Neighbourhood was endangered. and therefore desires that the Selectmen would inspect them according to a By-Law in that Case made and provided.

Voted, that Samuel Hews & Ezekiel Lewis Esq. be a Committee to inspect the said Chimnies as soon as may be.

Coll^o. Thwing is desired to order that the Brick Bats etc. that lye among that part of the Ruins occasioned by the late Fire which is near his House, to be taken from thence to fill up the Hole in the Pavement against M^r. Hallowells Ship Yard.

Voted, that the Town Clerk be and hereby is directed to Post up the Selectmens Minutes to this Day, and this without delay.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and seven Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

	L	oz.	dr.
White Loaf		7	11
Wheaten		11	11
Houshold		15	10
Two Peny White Loaf		15	10
[88.] Of Peny Wheaten	1 -	7	10
Houshold	1 -	15	5
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	6	14
Houshold	5 -	13	15
Twelve Peny Wheaten	8 -	3	12
Houshold	11 -	11	14
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1 -	12	5
NB. 7 Biskets must weigh	1 -	15	5
a 4 ^d . Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat $\frac{1}{4}$			
Rye Meal must weigh		2	15

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 5, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Two of the Selectmen of the Town of Concord attended and acquainted the Selectmen, that one David Tweed and Eleanor his Wife, were at said Town and in poor destitute Circumstances, and that they assure them, they were [89.] Inhabitants of Boston about the Year 1729. Whereupon,

Voted, that Samuel Sewall & Ezekiel Lewis Esq^r. be and hereby are appointed a Committee to examine into the Circumstances of the above Matter, and Report the same.

Mess^{rs}. White and Atkins having represented, that the Street near M^r. Checkleys Church called Short Street is much out of Repair, notwithstanding they have been at very considerable Expence themselves to make the same passable; and that about Fifty load of Gravel is now wanted to compleat the Repairs thereof.

Voted, that have liberty to procure at the Charge of the Town fifty load of good Gravel, provided it can be done at 2/ p. load, and that they will see the same laid on such parts of the Street as may most require it.

Whereas it is necessary that a Quantity of Gravel be laid on the new Street by M^r. Daltons House in Order to render the same passable especially for Carriages. —

Voted, that Cap^t. Hews be desired to procure what may be wanted for that purpose, and to direct and overlook in the laying on and spreading of the same.

The Selectmen having considered on the Request of M^r. Milliken for opening the Common Shore in Fish [90.] Street in order to repair the same, Voted, that the following Permit be given said Milliken.

M^r. Thomas Millikin one of the Proprietors in the Drain or Common Shore in Fish Street opposite to the Red Lyon, having applyed to us for liberty to open the same in order to cleanse and Repair said Drain; and whereon he has notified and warned all the Concerned therein of his application and design. who have made no objection to us, as to his proceeding in the work — We do therefore in pursuance of the power given us by a Law of this Province, here by permit said Millikin to open said Common Shore and clean and repair the same, provided nevertheless that he makes good the Ground and Repaves the same in a proper manner and to our liking

SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

M^r. Stephen Greenleaff Master of the Fire Engine N^o. 9. which is kept at the South part of the Town, having upon Account of his advanced Age resigned said trust, and the Company belonging to the said Engine having unanimously recommended M^r. Samuel Franklyn [91.] As his Successor — Voted, that M^r. Samuel Franklyne be and hereby is Appointed Master of the Fire Engine N^o. 9. in the room of M^r. Greenleaff who has resign'd, and the Town Clerk is directed to draw out, and furnish him with his Orders as Master of said Engine, which are to be worded in the usual form.

M^r. Samuel Franklyne appearing informs that M^r. Ambrose Searl one of the Company belonging to the Fire Engine under his care, has lately left the Town, And proposes M^r. John Roulstone

Jun^r. as a suitable Person to be admitted in his Room — If the Selectmen shall think fit — Which Motion was approved and Mr. Roulstone accordingly admitted. And the Town Clerk is Ordered to Certify the same on the List or Orders belonging to said Company — the said Roulston having had a dismission from the Captain of the Militia to whose Comp^y he belonged for the service aforesaid.

Cap^t. James Bernard lately Master of Fire Engine N^o. 3. having applied, some time past in behalf of his Company, for the premium of 13/4^d. allowed by the Town for their playing first with their Engine at the Fire which lately broke out at the North End.

Voted, that they have a Draft for said Premium [92.] In the September draft not yet given in

At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 7, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

A Dispute having arisen between M^r. Rebecca Amory and Cap^t. Thomas Marshall relating to the Line or Bounds of their Land in Mackrel Lane formerly so called — Mess^{rs}. William Fairfield, Sampson Salter and John Leach of Boston were Appointed to settle and adjust the Line between them, and a Warrant was issued of the following form

Boston October 7. 1763

To Mess^{rs}. William Fairfield, Sampson Salter and John Leach all of Boston — Greeting

Whereas a difference has arose between Rebecca Amory and Thomas Marshall all relating to the Line or Bounds of their Lands in Mackrel Lane formerly so called, Boston.

Pursuant therefore to a Law of this Province We do desire and impower you the said William Fairfield, Sampson Salter, and John Leach to go upon the Premisses [93.] View the same, hear the Partys contending, and adjust Settle and lay out the Line, between them, as to you shall appear equitable.

THOMAS CUSHING
 SAMUEL HEWS
 JOHN SCOLLAY
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

At a Meeting of the Select men October 12, 1763.

Present

Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the rate of Five Shillings and Nine Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows, Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf		7	8
Wheaten	11	-	4
Houshold		15	-
Two Peny White Loaf		15	-
Wheaten	1	6	8
Houshold	1	14	-
[94.] Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4	4	8
Houshold	5	11	8
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	8	9	-
Houshold	11	6	-
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1	11	-
NB. 7 Biskets must weigh		1	14
A 4 ^d . Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat			
$\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh	2	18	-

At a Meeting of the Selectmen October 19, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 Samuel Hews Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
 Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Jonathan Payson Esq. one of the Collectors of Taxes for the Year 1761. having produced Receipts from the Province County and Town Treasurer, in full for the Tax committed to him to Collect for that Year.

Voted, that a Draft be made on the Town Treasurer in his favor for £126., 14., 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ being his Quarter part of the Premium allowed the four Collectors for Collecting the whole Tax in said Year.

[95.] Voted, that the Town Clerk publish in the several News Papers the following Advertisement — viz^t.

The following Advertisement is published by Order of the Selectmen of Boston.

Great Damage having been done by the taking of Stone and Shingle Ballast from Deer Island Beech, all Persons are hereby Warned, that any who shall presume to do so hereafter, may depend upon being prosecuted for such a trespass to the extent of the Law.

M^r. Sever who has lately bought a House near the Fortification, which was Occupied by a Retailer till then, Petitioned the Select men for their approbation of him as a Retailer of Spiritous Liquors in his said House for the remainder of the Year — And the Selectmen having considered his Petition — Voted, that he be approbated accordingly.

Mr. John Fullerton having apply'd to the Selectmen for liberty to dig up the Pavement & break Ground in order to cleanse and repair a private Drain of his in Milk Street — Liberty was accordingly granted upon Condition that he forthwith made good the Ground and restored the Pavement to the satisfaction of the Selectmen.

[96.] Ordered, that the following Letter be sent to the Selectmen of Gloucester —

Boston October 19. 1763.

Gentlemen

We wrote you last August Inclosing Mr. Hartleys Account of the Charge for Boarding Nursing &c. one James Davis of your Town while sick with the Small Pox, and some time after we were inform'd by one of your Body that payment would soon be made, Mr. Hartley's Necessities oblige us once more to intreat of you that it may be immediately done — We are

Your Most Hum. Serv^{ts}.

THOMAS CUSHING

JOHN SCOLLAY

BENJAMIN AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Octo^r. 24, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

A Dispute having arisen between Deacon Daniel Jones and Mr. John Sweetser Jun^r. relating to the Line [97.] Or Bounds of their Land in Newbury Street — Mess^{rs}. John Kneeland, Samuel Adams and John Leach are Appointed to settle and Adjust the Line, between them, and a Warrant was issued of the following form.

To Mess^{rs}. John Kneeland, Samuel Adams & John Leach all of Boston — Greeting.

Whereas a difference has arose between Deacon Daniel Jones, and Mr. John Sweetser relating to the Line or Bounds of their Land in Newbury Street Boston —

Pursuant therefore to a Law of this Province, we do desire and impower you the said John Kneeland Samuel Adams and John Leach to go upon the Premises view the same, hear the Partys contending, and Adjust Settle and lay out the Line between them as to you shall appear equitable

Dated at Boston the 24^t. Day of October A.D. 1763.

THOMAS CUSHING

JOHN SCOLLAY

BENJAMIN AUSTIN

SAMUEL SEWALL

EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston.

[98.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen of Boston
Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

The following Letter was sent to the Selectmen of the Town of Concord.

Boston October 26th. 1763

Gentlemen

It was conceded to by two Gentl^{rs}. of your Body who were with us about one David Tweed and Family, that said Tweed had lived in Concord more than One Year after he left this Town.

When you prove to us that he was warned out of your Town and Caution properly entred, we shall then be ready to receive him from you, but cannot consistent with our duty agree to take him till you have furnished Us with this proof.

By Order of the Selectmen

WILLIAM COOPER, Town Clerk.

To the Gentlemen the Selectmen of Concord.

[99.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Octo^r. 31. 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

Passed upon Thomas Hartleys Province Accounts amounting to the Sum of £6- 13- 4- as p. Account of particulars on file.

Voted, that M^r. Timothy Thornton have a Draft, on the Treasury for £30- being on account of paving work done for the Town.

Voted, that M^r. Thomas Bayley have a Draft on the Treasury for £15. 12/. which is in full for work done for the Town as p his Account of particulars on August file.

Cap^t. John Cox attended, and acquainted the Selectmen, that he this Day arrived here from Quebeck in the Sloop Ranger himself Master, and has brought a Number of Passengers, as by a List here under — as also that said Passengers were in his Opinion in good Circumstances, no one of them having brought less than £200 Sterling.

[100.] List of Passengers — Viz^t

Allen M^rKey - - - a Clerk
Alexander Munroe a Farmer, his Wife and one Child
Donald Cameron a Farmer, his Wife and two Children.
Robert Harris — a Gardner
Donald M^rPhersons a Labourer
M^r. Trotter — a Carpenter
M^r. Potterfield, a Sergeant his Wife & 1 Child

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and Nine Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf		7 -	8
Wheaten		11 -	4
Houshold		15 -	
Two Peny White Loaf		15 -	
Wheaten	1 -	6 -	8
Houshold	1 -	14 -	
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf	4 -	4 -	8
Houshold	5 -	11 -	8
[101.] Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf	8 -	9 -	
Houshold	11 -	6 -	
Four Peny Brick Loaf	1 -	11 -	
NB. — 7 Biskets must weigh	1 -	14 -	
A 4 ^d . Loaf of Brown Bread $\frac{3}{4}$ Wheat			
$\frac{1}{4}$ Rye Meal must weigh	2 -	13 -	

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 9, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Mess^{rs}. John Kneeland, Samuel Adams and John Leach appointed the 24th Ultimo to Settle and lay out the Line between the Lands of Deacon Jones and John Sweetser this Day made return to the Selectmen on their Warrant as may appear on file.

M^r. M^c.Clure Constable of the Dock Watch having resigned that Trust, and M^r. Valentine Sullivan being recommended to the Selectmen as a Person of sober Morals, & prudent behavior, and capable of properly discharging the Duty of that Station.

[102.] Voted, that the said Valentine Sullivan be and he hereby is appointed, Constable of the Dock Watch in the room of the said M^c.Clure who has resigned, and the Town Clerk is directed to give him his Orders accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Novem^r. 13, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

M^r. Thomas Hartley came up from the Hospital at Rainsford's Island, and informed the Selectmen, that Cap^t. Bruce was Just arrived there from London — he also brought a Letter from said Bruce advising that on his passage three of his People were taken down with the Small Pox, and that two of them were dead, but

the other so far recovered as to walk the Ships Deck — that all the rest of his Men had had the Distemper, as well as what Passengers he has brought in & he pray'd that the necessary Orders might be immediately given respecting the Ships Cargo and Passengers.

The Selectmen having taken into consideration the Circumstances of the said Ships, Passengers &c. come to the [103.] Following Resolutions.

That M^r. Hartley order all the Passengers to the Island, with their Chests of Cloths Bedding &.

That M^r. Hartley see to it that the Passengers are sufficiently smoked and aired, when they are permitted to come up to Town.

That the Goods between Decks, be taken out of the Vessell as soon as the Weather will permit, and landed & air'd upon the Island.

That all the Letters be well smoked and sent up to Town — And that Cap^t. Bruce attend the Selectmen as soon as he can do it with safety to the Inhabitants.

A Letter was wrote M^r. Hartley this Day agreeable to the above determinations, and he was directed to give the Selectmen information of the Circumstances of the Ship and Cargo, from time to time.

M^r. Thomas Battersby informed the Selectmen that he had taken into his House as a Lodger a Stranger, but has forgot his Name.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Nov^r. 16. 1763. P.M.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.

Samuel Hews Esq.

John Scollay Esq.

Benjamin Austin Esq.

[104.]

Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Joseph Jackson who was licensed as a Retailer the present Year as he has been for many past, having removed from his House in Orange Street, to another that Adjoins thereto, which he has purchased — Prayed the Selectmen to Approbate him for the House he now lives in. And his request being considered and approved of, he was recommended to the Court of Sessions accordingly.

M^r. Samuel Procter Keeper of the Almshouse, was directed by two of the Selectmen, viz^t. J^hn Scollay and Ezekiel Lewis Esq. to receive into that Hospital on the Province Charge one David M^r.Lean who by a Certificate from D^r. Doubt is so disabled, that he cannot procure his own Subsistence and has nothing wherewith to support himself.

M^r. Thomas Hartley appeared and Reported that the Ship John and Suckey James Bruce Master from London stopt at Rainsford Island on account of the Small Pox is now sufficiently Smoked and Cleansed, and that as everything in the Cabbin and between Decks were immediately taken out on her arrival, and landed at the Island; it is his Opinion that the said Vessell may be permitted to come to Town with safety to the Inhabitants.

A Certificate of the above Vessells being in Circumstances [105.] To come up to Town was given him and is as follows
May it please your Excellency

The Ship John and Suckey James Bruce Master from London stopt at Rainsfords Island as having the Small Pox on board, has been sufficiently Smoked and Cleansed; and we are of Opinion she may be permitted to come up to Town without endangering the Health of the Inhabitants, if your Excellency think fit. We are

Your Excellencys Most Obed^t. Humble Servants

SAMUEL HEWS
JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL

Selectmen of Boston

Boston Novem^r. 21. 1763.

His Excell^y Francis Bernard Esq.

Mr. Cornelius Sweeny appear'd and acquainted the Selectmen, that he had taken into his House as Lodgers two Highland Familys who came from Hallifax.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 24^t. 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

[106.] Mr. Hartley Keeper of the Hospital at Rainsfords Island, Reported to the Selectmen that all the Goods landed by Cap^t. Bruce at said Island Hemp only excepted had been sufficiently aird, and might be permitted to come up to Town with safety as soon as the Selectmen should think fit.

Whereupon Voted, that Cap^t. Bruce has liberty to take off all the Goods landed from his Vessell excepting the Hemp; and that a Letter be wrote M^r. Hartley accordingly.

Mr. Thomas Hartley having this Day signified to the Selectmen that the Hemp taken out of Cap^t. Bruces Ship was sufficiently air'd — Directions were given him to deliver said Hemp to the Captain when called for.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Novem^r. 28, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.

Ordered, that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and six Pence p. Bushel for Wheat, and four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers, for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows —
Viz^t.

M^r. Hawkins appeared and acquainted the Selectmen that he had received into his House as Lodgers one George Millikins and two Boys, who say they came from Hallifax where they had been employ'd in his Majestys service, but had forgot the Master and Vessells Names which brought them

At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r 21, 1763.

Present

John Scollay Esq^r.
Benjamin Austin Esq^r.
Samuel Sewall Esq^r.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq^r.

Cap^t. Joseph Doble Master of the Briggandine Nancy from Ferryland in Newfoundland, attended the Selectmen at their Chamber, and Reports — That he left that place the 1st. of December last, and three Days after, had one of his Men taken sick as he supposed with the Small Pox, but is not certain, as the Eruption did not fill, he died in about three or four Days from his being taken; when all that he had about [110.] Him liable to infection was immediately thrown overboard — that there are three or four of his Men who have not had the Distemper — but he apprehends said Vessell may be permitted to come up to Town from Rainsfords Island, where she has been stopt by way of precaution without any danger to the Inhabitants if the Selectmen thought proper — whereupon —

Voted, that Cap^t. Doble have liberty to bring his Briggandine up to Boston, provided those Persons on board who have not had the Small Pox, be first tended & sent to the Hospital.

The following directions were given M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital.

Sir —

The Briggandine Nancy Joseph Doble Master from Newfoundland, having been stopt at Rainsfords Island on suspicion of having the Small Pox on board, and having as you have Reported to us been smoked & Cleansed so that she may be permitted to come to Town without danger to the Inhabitant; You may there fore permit her to come up to Town first taking on Shore all those Persons; that have not had the Small Pox who you are to keep at the Hospital till our further Orders.

[111.] At a Meeting of the Selectmen Decem^r. 21, 1763.
P.M.

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Ezekiel Lewis Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

May it please your Excellency

The Briggnd. Nancy Joseph Doble Master from Newfoundland, stopt at Rainsfords Island on suspicion of having the Small Pox, having been examined by us we are of Opinion she may be per-

mitted to come up to Town without endangering the Health of the Inhabitants if your Excellency thinks fit — We are
Your Excell^r Most Obed^t Hum. Servt.

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS
NATHANIEL THWING
Selectmen of Boston.

Boston Decem^r. 21. 1763

His Excellency Francis Bernard Esq.

The Selectmen having received a Warrant from the Hon^{ble}. Judge of Probate, for the County of Suffolk to examine into the Circumstances of Elizabeth Gillman represented by her Friends to be a Person Non Compos — made [112.] the following return on said Warrant.

Boston Decem^r. 21. 1763

Pursuant to the direction on the other side we have discoursed M^{rs}. Elizabeth Gillman and find her so far wanting of Reason as to be incapable of managing her own affairs

JOHN SCOLLAY
BENJAMIN AUSTIN
SAMUEL SEWALL
EZEKIEL LEWIS
NATHANIEL THWING
Selectmen of Boston.

At a Meeting of the Select men, Decem^r. 23^d, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
John Scollay Esq
Benjamin Austin Esq
Samuel Sewall Esq
Ezekiel Lewis Esq

D^r. Phillip God: Cast having given information that a Son of M^r. Bulkleys who lives near the Sign of the Schooner was taken with the Small Pox — A meeting of the Selectmen was immediately warned, and D^r. Cast desired to attend, which he did and declared, that the said Joseph Bulkley who is Cap^t. Dobles Mate came up in the Vessell Yesterday, and sent for him in the Evening when he found him ill, and having visited him again [113.] This Morning, he discovered that he had the Small Pox — The D^r. at the same Time gave it as his Opinion that he could not be removed but at the risque of his Life, his Symptoms being extremely bad and threatening.

In consequence of the above information M^r. Williston was immediately sent to the House to order and see the Shop Shut up, and that no Person whatsoever should be permitted to go in or come out of said House till the further Orders of the Select men — A Flag was also ordered to be put out as a signal of Infection, and Carpenters were employ'd to erect Fences and place Bars,

in the Passage Ways to prevent passing and repassing that House.

Upon Information given that a Servant of M^r. John White who came in Cap^t. Doble's Vessell had not had the Small Pox, he was immediately sent down to Rainsfords Island.

M^r. Thomas Hartley Keeper of the Hospital attending by Order of the Selectmen, was questioned how he came contrary to the directions given him to permit the said Bulkley to come up to Town, and answered that he did not know that he was yet to have the Distemper, but being afterwards told that it was uncertain whether he had had it. he obtained said Bulkleys promise to go down to the Island [114.] This Morning, but upon calling on him at the House he absolutely refused to go down with him.

The following Orders were given M^r. Ichabod Williston
Boston, Decem^r. 23^d. 1763

The Small Pox being at M^r. Bulkleys House near the Sign of the Schooner, it is our Orders that you keep a Watch at the said House where we have directed a Flag to be put out — You are not to suffer any Persons to go in or out of the House, except the Doctor; any Necessaries that may be wanted for the Family you are to get to them as well as you can — you must not leave said Watch untill 11 O'Clock at Night nor fail attending again by Day break — We expect you behave with great care & faithfulness as the safety of the Inhabitants will much depend upon it, and upon your so doing we shall make you a proper allowance for your Time and service

By Order of the Select men

WILLIAM COOPER TOWN Clerk.

Cap^t. Doble attended by Order of the Selectmen, and was directed to get his Vessell off into the Road as soon as she floats if he would avoid the Penalty of the Law for refusal, which Law was read to him —

Cap^t. Doble deliver'd in a List of his Passengers as on file.

[115.] The Account of the Expences on opening and repairing M^r. Millikims Drain was laid before the Selectmen, and by them examined and allowed; M^r. Millikin at the same Time informed that he had warned every Person concerned according to Law, and no objection having been entred to his proceeding Assessment was made and an order for payment delivered M^r. John Means which is as follows — Viz^t.

Boston ss.

Whereas the Drain or Common Shore opposite the Red Lyon in Fish Street in Boston aforesaid has been lately Repaired by M^r. Thomas Millikin, the whole Expence whereof according to an Account examined by us the Subscribers amounts to Twenty three Pounds twelve Shillings and Six Pence: and as said Expence is to be paid by such Person or Persons whose whose (*sic*) Drains enter said Common Shore or receive benefit thereby, and in such proportions as shall be adjudged by the Selectmen of the Town or a Major part of them who are empowered by Law to Apportion the same; And the said Milliken having agreable to a late Law

Notified all the Concerned before he proceeded upon the Business and no Objection having been made thereto —

Therefore we the Subscribers Selectmen of the Town of Boston do hereby Certify that having [116.] Considered of said Expence, and by whom and in what manner it ought to be paid; Do Adjudge that the same be paid in the proportion following, and by the Persons hereafter named — Viz^t.

M ^r . Jonathan Mountfort	- - -	1 Drain	- - -	£. 1 - 2 - 6
M ^{rs} . Rachel Fessenden	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . William Ellis	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Thomas Chaplin	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Thomas Millikin	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Daniel Sigorney	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . John Doble	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . John Leach	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
Nathaniel Wheelwright Esq. &	}	1 Ditto	-	-
Lewis Jennings				
M ^r . Stephen Nazaro	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . John Dennie	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^{rs} . Hannah Shelcock	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^{rs} . Mary Carnes	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Abraham Jones	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Theophilus Lillie &	}	1 Ditto	-	-
M ^{rs} Ruck				
M ^r . Samuel Wentworth	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . John Hogain	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
M ^r . Thomas Lee	- - -	2 Ditto	- - -	2 - 5 -
M ^{rs} . Ann Thomas	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6
Joseph Gardner Esq.	- - -	1 Ditto	- - -	1 - 2 - 6

[117.] And we do here by ApPOINT M^r. John Means to receive of the aforesaid Persons the Sum affixed to their respective Names, and give discharge thereof.

JOHN SCOLLAY
 BENJAMIN AUSTIN
 SAMUEL SEWALL
 EZEKIEL LEWIS

Selectmen of Boston

Boston Decem^r. 23^d. 1763

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 26, 1763.

Present

Thomas Cushing Esq.
 John Scollay Esq.
 Benjamin Austin Esq.
 Samuel Sewall Esq.
 Ezekiel Lewis Esq.

M^r. Samuel Procter was directed by two of the Selectmen viz^t. John Scollay and Benjamin Austin Esq. to receive into the Alms-house on the Province Account one John Cahill a Stranger who has got the Venereal Disease to a great degree, and hath not where withall to support himself. As also to the said Cahills Obligation to refund all Charge when he shall be able.

Passed upon Mess^{rs}. Box and Austin's Province Acco^{ts}. amounting to £18 - 16 - 9½ as p. Account of Particulars on file, and gave him a Certificate accordingly.

[118.] M^r. Solomon Kneeland having apply'd to the Select men for a Draft on the Treasury for £6 - 17 - 4 being the Sum Voted him by the Town at their last General Meeting Septem^r. 21^a. as a Consideration for the Land taken from him to enlarge Water Street.

Voted, that the Town Clerk give him a Draft for said Sum next Draft Day.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r 28, 1763.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.
John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

Cap^t. Doble waited upon the Selectmen and informs them, that he had strictly pursued their Orders as to smoking and cleansing of his Vessell and every thing on board and prayed leave to bring his Vessell up to the Wharff — which liberty was granted him accordingly.

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Decem^r. 29, 1763. —

Present

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

[119.]

Ordered that the Town Clerk Post up an Assize of Bread at the Rate of Five Shillings and Six Pence p. Bushel for Wheat and Four Pence p. Bushel is allowed to the Bakers for their Charges, Pains and Livelihood, which is computed as follows — Viz^t.

	l.	oz.	dr.
Of Peny White Loaf - - - - -	-	7	14
Wheaten - - - - -	-	11	13
Houshold - - - - -	-	15	12
Two Peny White Loaf . - - - -	-	15	12
Wheaten - - - - -	1	7	10
Houshold - - - - -	1	15	8
Six Peny Wheaten Loaf - - - - -	4	6	14
Houshold - - - - -	6	10	5
Twelve Peny Wheaten Loaf - - - - -	8	13	12
Houshold - - - - -	13	4	10
Four Peny Brick Loaf - - - - -	1	12	8
NB. 7 Biskets must weigh - - - - -	1	15	8
A 4 ^d Loaf of Brown Bread ¾ Wheat ¼ } Rye Meal must weigh }	2	15	4

At a Meeting of the Selectmen, Jan^r. 2^d, 1764.

Present

Samuel Hews Esq.

[120.]

John Scollay Esq.
Benjamin Austin Esq.
Samuel Sewall Esq.
Nathaniel Thwing Esq.

The Wife of Hugh Cammeron attended and having requested of the Selectmen that M^r. Tileston Master of the North Writing might be desired to receive her Son into his School for Instruction in writing and reading —

her request was granted, and M^r. Tileston directed accordingly.

[The present printed volume is terminated at this point, for convenience, with the record of the last meeting in the year 1763. — W. H. W.]

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BOSTON, Sept. 29, 1887.

To the Honorable Board of Aldermen:—

GENTLEMEN, — I have received a copy of your order requesting my opinion upon the following questions: —

“First. Has any person other than the Mayor or acting Mayor authority to call a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen for any purpose?”

“Second. Can a legal meeting of the Board of Aldermen be held without giving to the members of said Board reasonable notice?”

In answer to the first of these questions I have to say that a constable charged with the service of a venire for jurors is authorized to assemble the Aldermen at a special meeting for drawing jurors in accordance with such venire; and to the second, that a legal meeting of the Board cannot be held without reasonable notice to the members of said Board.

Respectfully submitted,

E. P. NETTLETON,
Corporation Counsel.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 3, 1887.

Placed on file and ordered printed.

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

AN ORDINANCE

TO AMEND CHAPTER 15 OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885, CONCERNING
MATTERS OF FINANCE.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter 15 of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended by adding the following sections: —

Section 14. Unless otherwise ordered, the certificates of indebtedness authorized by section five of this chapter shall be in even sums of one thousand dollars each; *provided, however,* that the city treasurer shall, whenever requested by the holder of any such certificate, exchange it for ten certificates of one hundred dollars each, having the same time, conditions, and rate of interest as such original certificate; and *provided,* also, that in issuing certificates for the first time he shall issue to the purchaser, if requested, certificates of one hundred dollars each.

Sect. 15. For all sums of money paid into the city treasury as trust funds, the income, or any part of the income or principal of which is to be disbursed by the city or any of its departments or agents, there shall be issued, as provided in section five of this chapter, certificates for the exact sum so deposited; and the rate of interest thereon, on and after January 1, 1888, shall be at the rate of five per centum per annum, payable quarterly to the disbursing agents, or placed to their credit in the accounts kept with them by the city.

Sect. 16. All trust funds of the kind described in section

fifteen, now held by the city, shall, on the first day of January, 1888, be covered by the terms of said section, and the city treasurer shall withdraw and cancel all outstanding bonds or certificates heretofore issued by him on account of such funds.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, October 6, 1887.

Referred to the Committee on Ordinances, and ordered to be printed.

Attest :

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 34.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE
SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the superintendent of police, by inserting after the word "thousand" the words "five hundred."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 10, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved Oct. 15, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 35.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE DEPUTY
SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the deputy superintendent of police, by striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "eight" in place thereof.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 10, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved Oct. 15, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 36.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE CLERK
TO THE SUPERINTENDENT OF POLICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the clerk to the superintendent of police, by striking out the words "one thousand five hundred," and inserting the words "two thousand" in place thereof.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 10, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved Oct. 15, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 37.

CONCERNING THE SALARY OF THE PROPERTY CLERK OF POLICE DEPARTMENT.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salary of the property clerk of the police department, by striking out the words "one thousand five hundred," and inserting the words "one thousand eight hundred" in place thereof.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 10, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,

President.

Approved Oct. 15, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 38.

CONCERNING THE SALARIES OF THE ASSIST-
ANT INSPECTORS OF POLICE.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER SIX OF THE REVISED
ORDINANCES OF 1886.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter six of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section one, in the clause relating to the salaries of the assistant inspectors of police, by striking out the words "three dollars a day each," and inserting the words "twelve hundred dollars per annum each" in place thereof.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 10, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PAT'K J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,

President.

Approved Oct. 15, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

CITY OF  BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 39.

CONCERNING SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND
ASSISTANTS AT THE HOUSE OF DE-
TENTION AND POLICE MATRONS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALARIES OF THE OFFICERS AND ASSISTANTS OF THE HOUSE OF DETENTION AND OF POLICE MATRONS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. The salaries of the officers and assistants of the House of Detention for the reception and confinement of women under arrest are hereby established at the following annual rates for the period during which they are respectively employed: Chief matron, one thousand dollars per annum; assistant chief matron, eight hundred dollars per annum; assistant matrons, six hundred dollars per annum; stewardess, four hundred and eighty dollars per annum; janitress, four hundred and eighty dollars per annum; door-men, four hundred and eighty dollars per annum; drivers, seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum.

SECT. 2. The salaries of police matrons are hereby established at the following annual rates for the period during which they are respectively employed: Division 7, two hundred dollars per annum; Division 9, four hundred and sixteen dollars per annum; Division 10, four hundred and sixteen dollars per annum; Division 11, one hundred dollars per annum; Division 12, four hundred and sixteen dollars per annum; Division 13, one hundred dollars per annum; Division 14, one hundred dollars per annum; Division 15, four hundred and sixteen dollars per annum.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 13, 1887.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

DAVID F. BARRY,
President.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 17, 1887.

Concurred.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

Approved Oct. 19, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

CITY OF BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887. — CHAPTER 40.

CONCERNING THE RECORD COMMISSIONERS.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER THIRTY-FIVE OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885. CONCERNING THE RECORD COMMISSIONERS.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows: —

SECTION 1. Chapter thirty-five of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section second, in the third line thereof, by adding, after the word "Boston," the words "and in the cities or towns now constituting a portion of the City of Boston."

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Oct. 24, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,
Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Oct. 27, 1887.

Concurred.

D. F. BARRY,
President.

Approved Oct. 29, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,
Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

[DOCUMENT 157 — 1887.]

CITY OF



BOSTON.

CITY TREASURER'S
MONTHLY STATEMENT

AND FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1887-88.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
BOSTON, November 1, 1887.

TO HIS HONOR THE MAYOR AND THE HONORABLE CITY
COUNCIL:—

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned herewith presents a statement of the receipts and payments of the City of Boston for the month of October, 1887, and for the financial year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888, showing the balance of money remaining in the Treasury October 31, 1887, and where deposited.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

Monthly Statement of the City Treasurer.

Balance, October 1, 1887 \$1,081,955 35

RECEIPTS IN OCTOBER, 1887.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$3,391,277 28	
From City Collector, on County Account	25,898 58	
	3,417,175 86	
Temporary 5% Loan, in anticipation of Taxes of 1887		400,000 00
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds:—		
For payment of debt		463,000 00
Mystic Water Loans:—		
Renewal of Loan due Oct. 1, 1887, 3½%.		50,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans:—		
High Service, 4%		10,700 00
Interest on Bank Deposits		3,627 64
Pay-roll Tailings, from Paymasters, settlements with Cashier, parties unpaid		1,983 52
		\$5,428,442 37

PAYMENTS IN OCTOBER, 1887.

On Mayor's drafts:—	
General drafts	*\$864,622 85
Pay-roll drafts	574,559 48
Special drafts	708,717 11
	†\$2,147,899 44
<i>Amount carried forward</i>	\$2,147,899 44

*Amount of general draft through City Auditor's office for October \$864,622 85
Less not paid 2,008 43

Add paid on outstanding drafts for preceding months, from May 1, 1887 2,314 62

\$864,622 85

† Includes Debt paid:—

City Debt	\$463,000 00
Mystic Water Debt	50,000 00
County Debt	17,000 00
	\$530,000 00

† Includes Interest paid, as follows:—

On City Debt	\$272,220 85
On Cochituate Water Debt,	245,463 75
On Mystic Water Debt	5,788 75
On County Debt	21,023 75
	\$544,106 58

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 3

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$2,147,899 44
County of Suffolk :—	
Allowed by Auditor of the County of Suffolk	*\$54,764 56
Mayor's Special Drafts	44,123 75
County Fines to Complainant,	97 50
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	98,985 81
Board of Commissioners of Sinking- Funds :—	
Revenue, payable under authority of Ordinance on Finance	13,097 36
Police Charitable Fund :—	
For investment	7,500 00
Pay-roll Tailings, payments by Cashier to parties not paid by Paymasters	3,417 32
Public Library Trust Funds :—	
For investment	1,700 00
Mount Hope Cemetery Trust Fund :—	
For investment	1,000 00
Liquor Licenses, proportion paid State of Massachusetts	513 00
Evergreen Cemetery Trust Fund :—	
For investment	500 00
Taxes, costs, interest, etc., refunded	416 78
Residue Tax Sales	84 47
Franklin Park Betterments, Re-payments	60 20
Cochituate Water Rates refunded	33 61
Mystic Water Rates refunded	2 50
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	\$2,275,210 49
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RECAPITULATION.

Balance, October 1, 1887	\$1,081,955 35
Receipts during October, 1887	4,346,487 02
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	\$5,428,442 37
Payments during October, 1887	2,275,210 49
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Balance, October 31, 1887	\$3,153,231 88
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*Amount of County Requisitions through County Auditor's office for October	\$63,985 84
Less not paid	21 32
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	\$63,964 52
Add paid on requisitions for preceding months from May 1, 1887	800 04
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	\$64,764 56
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STATEMENT

For the six months of the Financial Year 1887-88, beginning May 1, 1887, ending April 30, 1888:—

Balance on hand May 1, 1887, from the financial year 1886-87 \$4,080,681 09

RECEIPTS.

From City Collector, on City Account	\$4,686,804 19	
From City Collector, on County Account	78,316 00	
	<hr/>	4,765,120 19
Temporary 5% Loan in anticipation of Taxes of 1887		1,500,000 00
City Loans:—		
Public Park, 3½%, gold		400,000 00
Suffolk County Loans:—		
Suffolk County Court-House, 3½%		800,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans:—		
Additional Supply of Water (Basin 5), 3½%	\$35,000 00	
Extension of Mains, etc., 3½%	150,000 00	
Protection of Water Supply, 3½%	50,000 00	
Improvement of Lake Cochituate, 3½%	40,000 00	
High Service, 4%	147,700 00	
	<hr/>	422,700 00
Mystic Water Loans:—		
Renewal of the Loan due Oct. 1, 1887, 3½%		50,000 00
From Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds:—		
For payment of debt	\$553,000 00	
For betterments refunded	3,040 04	
	<hr/>	556,040 04
Interest on Bank Deposits		34,695 20
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<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$12,609,236 52

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 5

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$12,609,236 52
Pay-roll Tailings from Paymasters, settle- ments with Cashier, parties unpaid	22,798 12
Premium on Loans negotiated	9,687 50
Interest accrued on Loans negotiated	1,203 45
Tax Title, Rochester street	68 61
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	\$12,642,994 20
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PAYMENTS.

On Mayor's drafts :—	
General drafts	*\$2,393,956 05
Pay-roll drafts	3,122,870 82
Special drafts	3,165,959 09
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	†\$8,682,785 96

County of Suffolk :—	
Allowed by Auditor of the County of Suffolk	†\$241,759 75
Mayor's special drafts	282,535 26
Old claims	15 35
County fines to com- plainant	120 00
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	524,430 36

Liquor License Revenue, proportion paid State of Massachusetts	144,555 63
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Board of Commissioners of Sinking- Funds :—	
Revenue, payable under authority of Ordinance on Finance	78,248 52
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Amount carried forward **\$9,430,020 47**

* Amount of general drafts through City Auditor's office from May 1, 1887	\$2,396,223 44
Less amount not paid	2,337 39
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	\$2,393,956 05

† Includes Debt paid ;—		† Includes Interest paid, as follows :—	
City Debt	\$558,000 00	On City Debt	\$780,257 74
Mystic Water Debt	50,000 00	On Cochituate Water Debt	380,488 97
County Debt	17,000 00	On Mystic Water Debt	21,833 75
	<hr/>	On County Debt	21,623 75
	\$620,000 00		<hr/>
			\$1,161,204 21
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‡ Amount of County Requisitions through the County Auditor's office from May 1, 1887	\$241,788 07
Less amount not paid	28 32
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	\$241,759 75

<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$9,430,020	47
Pay-roll Tailings, payments by Cashier to parties not paid by Paymasters		22,144	31
City Debt, due prior to May 1, 1887		20,000	00
Police Charitable Fund		7,500	00
Betterments refunded		3,040	04
Public Library Trust Funds		1,700	00
Mount Hope Cemetery Trust Fund		1,000	00
Sewer Assessments refunded		891	57
Old Claims, Mayor's draft, City Account		854	22
Cedar Grove Cemetery Trust Fund, balance to Proprietors		751	12
Evergreen Cemetery Trust Fund		500	00
Water-Rates refunded : —			
Cochituate Water	\$288	37	
Mystic Water	103	33	
			391 70
Taxes, costs, interest, etc., refunded		668	78
Residue Tax Sales		166	12
Tax Title, Rochester street		68	61
Franklin Park Betterments, Re-payments		60	20
Paving Assessments refunded		5	18
			<u>391 70</u>
			<u>\$9,489,762 32</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Balance, May 1, 1887	\$4,080,681	09
Receipts	8,562,313	11
		<u>\$12,642,994 20</u>
Payments	9,489,762	32
		<u>\$3,153,231 88</u>

MONTHLY STATEMENT OF THE CITY TREASURER. 7

Balance, October 31, 1887, as per preceding statements,
as follows:—

Globe National Bank	\$488,193 27
Howard National Bank	496,139 80
National Bank of Redemption	498,398 07
National Bank of the Republic	745,575 68
National Revere Bank	735,292 40
National Security Bank	75,000 00
National Security Bank, pay-roll tailings account	7,418 97
	<u>\$3,046,018 19</u>
Cash and cash vouchers in office, including payments made on November Draft	107,213 69
	<u>\$3,153,231 88</u>

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

[DOCUMENT 165 — 1887.]

CITY OF



BOSTON.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

GENERAL AND SPECIAL APPROPRIATIONS

FOR 1887-88.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, December 2, 1887.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL: —

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned, in compliance with Chap. 14, Section 3, Revised Ordinances, herewith presents an exhibit of the General and Special Appropriations for the present financial year of 1887-88, as shown in the books in his office, December 1, 1887, including the December draft, — being eight months' payments of the financial year, — exhibiting the original appropriations, the balances brought forward from the year 1886-87, the amount drawn December 1, the total expenditures, and the balance of each appropriation unexpended at that date.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

APPROPRIATIONS.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
Advertising			\$1,500 00	\$1,500 00	\$48 62	\$1,238 50	\$281 50	
Architect's Department			23,500 00	23,500 00	1,818 50	15,477 94	6,822 64	
Armories			27,400 00	27,400 00	1,715 00	17,610 00	9,789 40	
Assessors' Department			114,000 00	114,000 00	7,587 04	89,000 10	24,999 81	
Auditor's Department			24,200 00	24,200 00	1,981 64	15,508 85	8,693 15	
Board of Health			70,000 00	70,000 00	5,644 43	49,591 82	20,408 18	
Evergreen Cemetery		\$587 00	1,500 00	2,087 00	164 50	1,623 51	470 18	
Public Baths	\$12 00		16,000 00	16,000 00	1,627 68	13,242 89	2,757 41	
Quarantine Department			16,000 00	16,000 00	839 00	14,060 61	1,939 33	
Boston Harbor			5,000 00	5,000 00	201 50	2,038 25	2,963 75	
Bridges:—			92,000 00	92,000 00	7,641 90	70,109 97	21,899 03	\$20,228 92
Albany-st. Bridge	14,939 81			14,939 81		13,546 78	1,393 03	
Cambridge-st. Bridge, Allston	45,000 00			45,000 00			45,000 00	
Congress-st. Bridge		260,000 00	18,200 00	23,200 00	2,990 10		7,032 22	
Harvard Bridge				250,000 00	1,362 57	2,970 19	247,029 81	
Mt. Washington-ave. Bridge	308 00		9,680 00	9,988 00			9,680 00	
New Bridge to Cambridge	16,718 42			15,718 42			308 00	
Warren Bridge	952 25			6,032 25		6,032 25		
Cedar Grove Cemetery		5,100 00	21,000 00	21,000 00	1,641 82	12,769 66	8,230 54	
City Clerk's Department			749,107 00	749,107 00	749,107 00			
City Debt		606,000 00		606,000 00		606,000 00		
City Loans, Redemption of								
Received from Commissioners \$585,000 00								
Revenue								
Sinking-Funds								
Renewal of Mystic Water-Loan								
Redemption of City Debt Proper					2,000 00			
Redemption of Mystic Water-Debt								
Cost of Redemption of matured bonds								
Carried forward	\$76,980 57	\$960,087 00	\$1,184,087 00	\$2,121,704 57	\$786,144 66	\$1,656,938 96	\$435,401 21	\$892,008 50

Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$400.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on income-bearing public buildings and works, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$76,930 57	\$860,687 00	\$1,184,087 00	\$2,181,704 57	\$786,144 66	\$1,686,903 96	\$465,401 21	\$892,008 60
City Hospital			180,000 00	180,000 00	16,862 64	120,761 16	69,238 84	
City Hospital			5,000 00	32,132 86	1,662 00	21,474 94	10,657 91	49,242 09
Building for Contagious Cases			7,375 00	7,375 00			7,375 00	
Building for Contagious Cases, Furnishing				19,000 00			19,000 00	
Building for Out-Patients				19,862 00	1,326 32	10,511 86	9,340 14	
City Messenger's Department			14,000 00	14,000 00	798 31	5,890 22	8,119 78	
City Registrar's Department			57,100 00	59,100 00	6,921 11	38,915 99	20,184 01	
Collector's Department		2,000 00						
Common and Public Grounds : —	450 00		90,000 00	90,450 00	2,345 63	55,988 68	4,461 38	
Common, etc.			3,900 00	3,000 00	10 28	3,000 00		
Commonwealth Avenue, Loan for Trees				235 12		235 12		
Improvement of Independence Square				1,800 00	1,800 00			
Improvement of Telegraph Hill's				1,800 00				
Play-Grounds			500 00	500 00				
Public Garden Bridge				884 45		785 00	300 00	
Street Trees			3,000 00	3,000 00		3,000 00	99 45	
Tudor Bequest	500 00			500 00		183 18	346 84	
Contingent Funds, viz. : —								
Joint Committees				9,501 65	338 98	9,501 61	04	
Mayor		801 65	9,000 00	1,500 00	100 00	775 50	724 50	
Board of Aldermen		48 50	1,500 00	9,043 50	1,134 60	7,377 29	1,666 21	
Common Council			10,000 00	10,000 00	641 56	5,589 81	4,410 99	
County of Suffolk : —								
County of Suffolk			450,000 00	450,000 00	39,080 58	297,538 35	152,461 65	
County Debt			17,000 00	17,000 00		17,000 00	38,111 25	
County Interest			96,738 00	96,738 00		21,623 75	382,587 06	1,275,462 98
Suffolk County Court-Houses		701,008 75		701,008 75	52,215 06	318,471 70		
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$126,982 99	\$1,564,240 90	\$2,090,140 00	\$3,781,372 89	\$910,901 67	\$2,626,936 97	\$1,154,435 92	\$1,716,813 54

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$600.
 2 Transferred from Cochituate Water Works revenue, \$2,000.
 3 Transferred from Andrew School-house yard, \$1,800.
 4 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$3,000.
 5 Loans authorized, \$3,350,000; loans negotiated, \$1,650,000; premium on loans, \$8,000.
 6 Loans authorized, \$3,350,000; loans negotiated, \$1,650,000; premium on loans, \$8,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on incomes completed on public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$126,982 99	\$1,564,240 90	\$2,090,149 00	\$3,781,372 89	\$910,901 67	\$2,629,936 97	\$1,154,486 92	\$1,716,813 64
Damages by Dogs	38 25	1,744 00	(\$1,744.00 provided for.)	..
Deeds, Real Estate Advertising, etc.	3,718 00	5,343 14	..	9,066 74	482 51	5,492 67	3,664 07	..
East Boston Ferries:—
New Ferry-Boat	36,507 50	..	208,000 00	208,000 00	19,191 01	130,414 82	77,686 98	..
New Piers, South Ferry, East Boston	..	16,000 00	..	16,000 00	..	35,265 36	1,262 14	..
Engineer's Department	88,000 00	..	88,000 00	3,869 06	6,247 19	8,762 81	..
Executive Department	33,000 00	..	33,000 00	2,507 65	20,489 26	12,660 74	..
Fire Department:—
Fire-Alarm Telegraph	778,948 00	..	778,948 00	80,372 08	485,419 11	323,586 89	..
Flags, Ropes, and Slakes	31,005 00	..	31,005 00	2,201 06	18,258 91	12,746 09	..
Health Department	1,390 28	..	1,390 28	110 17	499 19	891 07	..
Improved Sewerage:—
Construction:	86,275 91	1,282 00	..	87,557 91	40,740 24	269,182 89	228,817 11	..
Maintenance	70,820 00	70,820 00	3,001 64	13,681 96	22,175 96	..
Incidental Expenses	40,000 00	40,000 00	4,298 47	43,641 70	27,178 30	..
Inspection of Buildings	51,000 00	51,000 00	130 66	39,099 04	..	..
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar	31,000 00	31,000 00	4,183 62	31,042 86	19,987 04	..
Inspection of Provisions	9,000 00	9,000 00	656 92	6,062 48	3,047 52	..
Interest	2,300 00	..	2,300 00	..	..	866 60	..
Lamp Department	2,474 01	..	2,474 01	1,171 77	771,069 51	880,137 50	..
Law Department	1,999,623 00	1,999,623 00	50,910 82	837,844 08	237,155 92	..
..	575,000 00	575,000 00	1,972 03	15,633 98	7,966 07	..
..	23,600 00	23,600 00	..	..	..	..
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$202,460 00	\$1,578,390 06	\$6,075,242 26	\$7,851,112 81	\$1,109,286 86	\$4,874,707 86	\$2,978,148 42	\$7,168,740 37

¹ Transferred from Police Department, \$1,390.28.

² Total appropriations for construction, \$5,480,444.93; transferred August, 1876, by authority of an order of July 17, from Reserved Fund, \$40,000; loans authorized \$4,439,900; loans negotiated, \$5,438,000, and revenue, \$7,444.93; transferred to Sewer from Greenal and Greenal street, \$66,000; transferred from Construction to Maintenance, \$2,000.

³ Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$1,000.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-'88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-'88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Borough forward</i>								
Liquor License Expenses	\$202,460 00	\$1,573,390 05	\$6,075,242 26	\$7,851,112 31	\$1,109,236 86	\$4,874,707 80	\$2,978,148 42	\$7,153,740 37
Heat Expenses	371,678 00	212,984 00		584,662 00	2,110 87	104,272 15	420,389 85	
City Clerk's Department								
Collector's Department	300 00				344 75			
Treasurer's Department					795 87			
Paid State proportion of receipts, 144,500 38								
Returned								
Police Signal System		1,007 42		5,622 60	795 16	6,346 76	5,622 50	164,000 00
Long Island	4,515 17		9,900 00	9,900 00			3,665 24	
Markets								
Mount Hope Cemetery:—								
Running Expenses, etc.	3,597 15	14,988 49	10,000 00	28,686 64	885 97	24,709 81	3,871 33	
Removal of Gravel, etc.			3,200 00	3,200 00	1,108 41	2,702 55	497 35	
Overseers of the Poor			118,000 00	118,000 00	7,308 34	49,137 02	65,862 98	
Park Department:—								
Covered Channel, Muddy River	253 62		6,500 00	6,500 00	429 25	5,991 03	2,508 97	
Franklin Park	80,344 84	371,626 25		457,971 09		401,183 20	246 62	146,483 88
Muddy River Improvement	104,148 88			104,148 88	5,000 00	15,200 00	56,687 83	1,414,838 42
Parks, Maintenance	1,371 69	2,687 66	15,000 00	19,009 25	1,072 01	8,940 12	83,944 88	111,051 12
Park Nursery			5,000 00	5,000 00	387 38	3,689 26	10,069 16	
Public Park, Beck Bay	6,639 57	23,473 75		35,113 32	85,113 32	35,113 32	1,910 74	
Public Park, Construction	468,714 37			468,714 37	64,848 94	294,392 45	189,331 92	494,473 75
Paving Department:—								
Paving Department			850,000 00	850,000 00	78,485 40	786,211 99	118,788 07	
A-Street Repaving	4,111 14		4,111 14	4,111 14		4,111 14		
Boylston-st. Bridge, Construction of			35,000 00	35,000 00			35,000 00	
Humboldt Avenue	1,479 97			1,479 97	1,482 86	1,479 97		36,000 00
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,270,334 20	\$2,205,002 55	\$7,124,842 26	\$10,600,179 01	\$1,299,287 48	\$6,625,285 06	\$3,976,037 95	\$9,523,167 04

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$1,200.

2 Transferred from Linden Park, \$4,111.14.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works, May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>	\$1,270,324 20	\$2,205,002 55	\$7,124,842 26	\$10,600,179 01	\$1,290,287 48	\$6,625,225 06	\$3,976,637 95	\$9,622,157 04
Linden Park	6,356 04			6,356 04		6,356 04		
Ninth-Street Grading	202 25			202 25		202 25		
Q Street	10,956 04			10,956 04	2,519 49	10,364 79	681 25	19,308 75
Removal and Care of Snow			50,000 00	50,000 00			50,000 00	
Stable, Brighton			5,000 00	5,000 00		4,879 00	421 00	
Street Improvements, East Boston	26,996 64			26,996 54	3,790 76	14,785 72	12,210 82	27,789 18
Washington Street, between Forest Station and Ashland Street								
Wharf, Paving Department	37,007 68			37,007 68	37 15	37,007 68		42,000 00
Phillips Street Fund, Income	6,108 16	600 00	50,000 00	50,000 00	674 00	25,063 62	24,936 38	
Police Department	4,727 61		1,088,609 74	1,088,609 74	86,927 48	683,406 85	455,203 89	
Printing and Stationery (general)		4,546 61	47,000 00	56,274 22	5,390 91	30,728 04	25,546 18	
Public Buildings			116,000 00	116,000 00	7,924 85	99,653 70	16,346 30	
City Building, Beacon Street	3,888 79		3,388 79	3,388 79	168 42	3,382 38	6 41	11,809 29
Engine-House, Brighton	22,840 80		22,840 80	22,840 80	120 00	10,650 99	12,190 71	26,929 46
Engine-House, Charlestown	237 90		3,000 00	3,237 90		3,167 86	70 54	
Engine-House, No. 6:— Site								21,750 00
Building			26,000 00	26,000 00	3,596 00	7,236 13	17,763 87	
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	6,354 52		6,354 52	6,354 52	32 00	6,259 39	2,075 13	43,969 13
Ladder-House and Site, Roslindale	22,000 00		23,000 00	23,000 00	1,418 76	17,846 38	4,153 62	
Library Building, Dartmouth Street	368,854 89		368,854 89	368,854 89		20 46	368,834 43	81,165 57
Police Station, House, Boylston Street	19,947 92		19,947 92	19,947 92	32 00	17,309 80	2,638 12	57,361 88
Repairing Old Franklin School-house	8,260 00		8,250 00	8,250 00	1,698 11	1,698 11	6,551 89	
Public Celebrations, viz:— Public Institutions		365 64	20,000 00	20,365 64		20,343 14	22 50	
House of Industry			160,000 00	160,000 00	19,612 69	123,679 57	31,320 43	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,811,543 84	\$3,210,514 80	\$8,688,462 00	\$12,710,510 14	\$1,487,646 10	\$7,669,924 56	\$5,012,329 58	\$9,865,240 30

¹ Transferred to A-Street Repaving, \$4,111.14. ² Transferred to Flags, ropes, and stakes, \$1,200.26.
³ Transferred from Engine-House No. 6, Site, \$8,230. ⁴ Transferred to Home for Paupers, Long Island, \$24,000.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expended on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								
House of Correction	\$1,511,543 34	\$2,210,514 80	\$5,088,452 00	\$12,710,510 14	\$1,482,646 10	\$7,099,924 56	\$5,012,329 58	\$9,856,240 30
Lunatic Hospital			90,000 00	90,000 00	6,343 17	74,484 84	15,505 66	
Marcella-street Home			60,000 00	60,000 00	5,570 97	45,329 31	14,670 69	
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm			42,628 00	42,628 00	2,861 96	37,048 97	5,578 03	
Almshouse, Charlestown			30,000 00	30,000 00	3,363 47	7,206 59	22,794 41	
Home for Paupers, Long Island:—			17,303 00	17,303 00	1,218 71	13,023 72	4,279 28	
Maintenance ¹			70,000 00	70,000 00	9,016 86	36,042 91	33,957 09	
Construction ²	25,236 23			25,236 23		18,243 09	3,993 14	84,506 86
Pauper Expenses			143,000 00	143,000 00	7,648 07	107,839 14	35,160 86	
Steamer "J. Putnam Bradlee"			18,125 00	18,125 00	1,576 68	13,175 25	4,949 75	
Office Expenses			8,905 00	8,905 00	663 67	6,439 22	3,465 78	
Almshouse, Charlestown, Repairs			3,000 00	3,000 00		2,357 75	642 25	
Asylum for Insane, Austin Farm, Repairs			3,000 00	3,000 00	1,416 63	1,416 63	1,583 37	
Fences, Lunatic Hospital Grounds			3,000 00	3,000 00		2,803 40	196 60	
Marcella-street Home, Improvements			6,000 00	6,000 00		5,799 07	200 93	
Wharves, Long Island:—	7,589 90			7,589 90		7,589 90		20,000 00
Public Lands			3,000 00	3,000 00	45 00	144 46	2,355 55	
Public Library			115,000 00	115,000 00	9,751 26	72,659 22	43,004 38	
Record Commissioners		663 60		663 60				
Record of Street Names			5,000 00	5,000 00	320 25	2,143 02	2,356 98	
Registration of Voters and Election Expenses:—								
Registration of Voters			30,000 00	30,000 00	4,064 83	21,307 13	8,992 87	
Election Expenses			13,000 00	13,000 00	2,344 17	2,561 61	10,488 39	
Reserved Fund ³			10,407 78	10,407 78			10,407 78	
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$1,841,809 47	\$2,211,178 40	\$9,356,817 76	\$13,412,865 65	\$1,458,354 38	\$8,177,448 28	\$5,237,181 37	\$9,969,747 16

¹ Transferred from House of Industry, \$25,000.
² Transferred from Wharves, Long Island, \$4,500.
³ Transferred to Home for Paupers, Long Island, \$4,500.
⁴ Transferred to Armories, \$400.
 Collector's Department, \$4,000.
 Continent Fund, Joint Committees, \$3,000.
 Guahman School-house, Heating, etc., \$5,000.
 Inspection of Buildings, \$1,000.

Transferred to Mount Hope Cemetery, Removal of Graves, etc., \$1,200.
 Primus School-house, Harrison, etc., \$500.
 School houses, Public Buildings, \$35,000.
 City Registrar's Department, \$600.
 Haymarket-street Widening, \$4,305 08.
 Roxbury Canal Improvement, \$1,087 16.
 Stony-Brook Improvement, \$9,000.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$9,909,747 16
Roxbury Canal Improvement	\$1,841,809 47	\$2,211,178 40	\$9,359,817 78	\$13,412,865 65	\$1,488,354 38	\$6,177,448 28	\$6,237,161 37	
Salaries			1,987 16	1,987 16		1,987 16		
Schools and School-houses, viz.:			11,000 00	11,000 00	961 80	7,252 84	3,747 16	
School Instructors			1,242,088 00	1,242,088 00	109,828 60	807,580 23	434,507 77	
Salaries Officers, School Committee			67,760 00	67,760 00	4,348 33	19,548 34	19,548 34	
School Expenses, School Committee			240,000 00	240,000 00	13,190 65	173,462 71	66,537 29	
Gibson School Fund, Income	1,503 87	362 00		1,865 87	87 47	684 85	1,181 04	
School-houses, Public Buildings			210,000 00	210,000 00	20,372 33	197,096 52	12,903 48	
Andrew School-house, Yard								
Cushman School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00		7,980 73	19 27	
Everett School-house, Heating, etc.			8,000 00	8,000 00		7,963 12	6 88	
Franklin School-house, Water-closets			8,000 00	8,000 00		2,968 38	31 67	
Grammar School-house, Bennett District, Furnishing	1,296 67			1,296 67		1,243 09	53 58	
Grammar School-house, Comins District	552 73			5,552 73		6,383 58	169 15	124,880 85
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street	10,000 00			10,000 00			10,000 00	18,726 77
Site	17,669 14			17,669 14	1,266 00		7,858 02	107,141 98
Building								
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street, furnishing						5,949 46	1,950 54	
Grammar School-houses, South Boston	90,000 00		7,000 00	7,000 00	528 52	30,000 00	75,000 00	
High School-house, Roxbury	90,000 00		15,000 00	103,000 00				
Horace Mann School-house	55,000 00		50,000 00	140,000 00				
Primary School-houses, Ashmont	5,000 00			55,000 00				
Primary School-houses, Blossom Street	5,000 00			5,000 00				
Site								
Building	10,081 22			10,081 12			10,081 12	107,948 88
Primary School-houses, Harrison Avenue	428 49		500 00				928 49	47,729 26
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,129,269 49	\$2,211,540 40	\$11,220,152 94	\$15,556,062 83	\$1,644,068 28	\$9,638,085 73	\$6,018,721 10	\$10,266,124 90

1 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$1,987.16.
 2 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$25,000.
 3 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$500.
 4 Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$5,000.
 5 Transferred from Improvement of Telegraph Hill, \$1,800.

AUDITOR'S MONTHLY EXHIBIT.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1886-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brough forward</i>				\$16,656,083 83	\$1,644,068 28	\$9,888,088 78	\$6,018,721 10	\$10,866,124 90
Primary School-house, Prescott District	\$2,123,869 49	\$9,211,640 40	\$11,220,182 94	2,822 15	1,096 62	1,096 62	1,725 58	14,274 47
Rice School-house, Water-closets	2,822 15	4,000 00	4,000 00	10,986 00	783 51	3,298 20	601 80	
Sealer of Weights and Measures			10,986 00			6,278 38	4,657 62	
Sewer Department:—								
Sewer Department			160,000 00		21,608 11	142,847 26	7,162 65	84,820 83
Sewers, Abmont District	45,268 60			45,268 60	6,216 44	30,089 43	16,179 17	24,605 36
Sewers, Beacon Street, etc.	4,365 10			4,365 10		3,970 46	394 64	100,000 00
Sewers, Brighton	25,440 48			25,440 48	38	25,440 48		
Sewers, Charlestown	5,077 05			5,077 05	47	5,077 05		10,000 00
Sewers, City Proper	27,862 45			27,862 45	2,870 05	9,797 70	18,064 75	41,935 25
Sewer bet. Crescent Ave. and Greenwich St.	7,904 92			7,904 92	5 50	7,904 92		131,600 00
Sewers, Dorchester	378 03			378 03	1 05	378 03		165,000 00
Sewers, East Boston	86,002 44			86,002 44	6,171 31	35,990 76	11 68	49,988 32
Sewers, Roxbury	3,518 61			3,518 61	8 99	3,518 61		50,000 00
Sewers, South Boston	5,343 13			5,343 13	2 38	5,343 13		50,000 00
Sewers, West Roxbury	27,358 25			27,358 25	94 73	27,343 86	14 39	72,988 62
Sinking-Fund Commissioners		2,500 00		2,500 00	174 00	1,694 70	805 30	
Soldiers' Relief	75,662 72			75,662 72	8,339 00	64,856 00	10,806 73	
Stony-Brook Improvement ¹	687 75			9,687 75	11,309 50	27,498 61	(\$17,898 86 provided for.)	376,987 26
Surveyor's Department				32,000 00	2,765 34	20,301 69	11,698 31	
Treasurer's Department				38,000 00	3,041 86	23,649 58	14,350 42	
Water-Works:—								
Cochituate Water-Works ²	221,620 11	375,981 12		597,601 23	31,689 87	792,474 44	(\$194,873.81 provided for.)	
Running Expenses					6,515 00			
Interest					70			
Refunded								
Sinking-Fund								
Additional Supply of Water ³	22,926 56	36,000 00		57,926 56	268 20	25,299 44	34,627 12	6,506,259 68
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$2,635,607 84	\$2,623,621 52	\$11,466,688 94	\$16,724,718 30	\$1,745,207 68	\$10,800,333 17	\$6,138,811 20	\$18,046,484 69

¹ Transferred from Reserved Fund, \$0,000.
² Total appropriations, \$6,542,886.80; loans negotiated premiums on said loans, and transfer from Reserved Fund, \$6,542,886.80.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONTINUED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1888-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations, 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brought forward</i>								\$18,046,434 09
Extension of Mains, etc. 1	\$2,635,607 84	\$2,672,571 52	\$11,466,568 94	\$16,724,718 30	\$1,745,207 68	\$10,800,333 17	\$6,138,811 20	
High Services	175,622 25	160,000 00	.....	323,622 25	68,682 47	284,157 15	39,465 10	
Introduction of Lake Cochituate	258,363 84	147,700 00	.....	406,063 84	25,554 75	131,835 70	274,718 14	
Introduction of Meters and Inspection:—	.....	40,000 00	.....	40,000 00	7,854 40	22,916 96	17,083 34	
Cochituate Water-Works	66,385 56	.....	.....	66,385 56	2,296 06	19,231 76	46,153 80	
Mystic Water-Works	963 44	50,000 00	.....	50,963 44	.....	2 53	960 91	
Protection of Water Supply	.....	50,000 00	.....	50,000 00	.....	.....	50,000 00	
Mystic Water-Works	38,418 84	52,589 71	.....	91,008 55	.....	174,105 77	(\$83,097.22 provided for.)	
Running Expenses	.....	.....	.....	.....	19,767 67	.....	.....
Interest	.....	.....	.....	.....	26 00	.....	.....
Proportions paid under con- tracts	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Refunded	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 50	.....	.....
West Boston and other Bridges	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Sinking-Fund	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Widening and Extending Streets:—	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Widening Streets	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Avon-place Extension	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Beacon-street and Brookline Avenue, Rail- way Grade	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Baylston-street Extension	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Commonwealth Avenue	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Hanover-street Widening	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harrison-avenue Widening	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10,500 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Humboldt-avenue Extension	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
12,735 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Kneeland-place Extension	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
10,149 08	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
<i>Carried forward</i>	\$3,453,849 71	\$3,002,811 23	\$11,664,094 00	\$18,170,754 94	\$1,893,090 13	\$11,679,649 13	\$6,799,380 11	\$19,173,936 76

1 Loans authorized, \$800,000; loans negotiated, \$650,000.
 2 Total appropriations, \$438,190.32; appropriation, \$100,000; transfer, \$38,190.32; loan authorized and negotiated, \$350,000.
 3 Loan authorized, \$760,000; loan negotiated, \$739,700.

APPROPRIATIONS, CONCLUDED.

OBJECT OF APPROPRIATIONS.	Balances from 1885-87.	Revenue and Loans.	Appropriations 1887-88, and Transfers.	Total Credits.	Dec. Draft, including Treasurer's Payments in November.	Expenditures for 1887-88.	Balances Unexpended.	Total expenditures on uncompleted public buildings and works May 1, 1887, including December Draft.
<i>Brough's records</i>	\$3,463,840 71	\$3,062,811 23	\$11,654,094 00	\$19,170,754 94	\$1,863,060 13	\$11,678,948 12	\$6,789,380 11	\$19,173,936 76
Massachusetts Avenue:—								
Land	16,788 00			16,788 00			16,788 00	80,263 00
Building Roadway	69,804 45			69,804 45	20,220 75	20,539 75	49,294 70	140,000 00
Stanford-street Extension	25,000 00			25,000 00			25,000 00	115,735 30
Talbot Avenue	1,075 00			1,075 00			1,075 00	5,925 00
Ward Street	33,840 00			33,840 00		8,400 00	25,440 00	34,560 00
Webster Street	1,796 83			1,796 83			1,796 83	487,703 17
Widening Commercial Street								
	\$3,601,108 99	\$3,062,811 23	\$11,654,094 00	\$18,318,009 22	\$1,918,280 88	\$11,707,887 87	\$6,907,844 64	\$19,997,122 23
						Less prov. for	297,622 29	
							\$6,610,121 86	

CITY OF



BOSTON.

ORDINANCES OF 1887.—CHAPTER 41.

CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF
BUILDING.

In the Year One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-seven.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER FORTY-EIGHT OF THE
REVISED ORDINANCES OF 1885.

Be it ordained by the City Council of Boston, as follows:—

SECTION 1. Chapter forty-eight of the Revised Ordinances of 1885 is hereby amended in section two, in the paragraph relating to intercepting walls in the erection of wooden buildings to be occupied for dwelling purposes, by adding the following thereto:—

“Or they may, in the discretion of the inspector of buildings, be carried to the under side of the roof covering, which shall be laid and embedded in mortar upon the walls.”

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Nov. 28, 1887.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence.

PATK J. DONOVAN,

Chairman.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Dec. 1, 1887.

Concurred.

DAVID F. BARRY,

President.

Approved Dec. 3, 1887.

HUGH O'BRIEN,

Mayor.

A true copy.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

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CITY OF



BOSTON.

REPORT

OF

EXAMINATION OF THE ACCOUNTS

OF THE

CITY AND COUNTY TREASURER,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1886-87.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Dec. 5, 1887.

The Joint Standing Committee on the City Treasurer's Department, to whom was referred the annual report of the City Treasurer, and who were authorized by the City Council to employ an expert to examine the accounts of the department, respectfully submit herewith the expert's report for the information of the City Council.

For the Committee,

J. A. McLAUGHLIN,

Chairman.

Ordered to be printed with the annual report of the City Treasurer.

Report accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
CITY TREASURER
FOR THE
FINANCIAL YEAR 1886-87.

CITY TREASURER'S OFFICE,
CITY HALL, May 14, 1887.

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL:—

Gentlemen,— I herewith transmit the annual report of the transactions of the Treasury Department of the City of Boston, for the financial year 1886-87, terminating April 30, 1887.

Respectfully submitted,

ALFRED T. TURNER,
City Treasurer.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, May 16, 1887.
Referred to Committee on City Treasurer's Department.

JOSEPH H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

ANNUAL REPORT OF ALFRED T. TURNER, CITY TREASURER,
FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING APRIL 30, 1887.

	No. of Account.		
Balance of cash on hand May 1, 1886, brought forward from the financial year of 1885-86			\$3,018,803 53
RECEIPTS.			
Received during the year 1886-87 from:—			
City Collector, on account of the City of Boston	1	\$13,855,168 27	
City Collector, on account of the County of Suffolk	2	125,202 25	
			\$13,980,370 52
Temporary loans, in anticipation of taxes "1886"	3		2,000,000 00
City loans negotiated, viz.:—			
Beacon Street and Brookline Avenue . 3%	4		100,000 00
Boylston-street Extension 3%	5		150,000 00
Hanover-street Widening 3%	6		30,000 00
Improved Sewerage 3½%	7		50,000 00
Library Building, Dartmouth Street . 4%	8		415,000 00
Public Parks:—			
Bussey Park and Arnold Arboretum . 3½%	9	\$16,000 00	
Charles-River Embankment 3½%	10	55,000 00	
Public Park Construction 3½%	11	500,000 00	
			571,000 00
Sewers, viz.:—			
Ashmont District 3½%	12	\$100,300 00	
Beacon Street, etc. 3½%	13	25,000 00	
Brighton 3½%	14	50,000 00	
Charlestown 3½%	15	5,000 00	
City Proper 3½%	16	60,000 00	
Between Crescent Avenue and Greenwich Street 3½%	17	40,000 00	
Dorchester 3½%	18	45,000 00	
East Boston 3½%	19	50,000 00	
Roxbury 3½%	20	50,000 00	
South Boston 3½%	21	50,000 00	
West Roxbury 3½%	22	25,000 00	
			500,000 00
Stanford-street Extension 3½%	23		165,000 00
Street Improvements, etc., 3½%, viz.:—			
A Street, repaving	24	\$7,000 00	
Avon-place Extension	25	2,000 00	
B Street, repaving	26	14,000 00	
Beacon Street and Brookline Avenue, raising grade	27	200,000 00	
Building for Contagious Cases, City Hos- pital	28	15,000 00	
Building for Out-Patients, City Hospital, Chelsea Street, Charlestown	29	9,000 00	
Engine-house and Site, Brighton	30	20,000 00	
Engine-house No. 6, Site for Harrison Avenue, repaving	31	24,000 00	
Humboldt-avenue Extension	32	30,000 00	
Improvement of Independence Square	33	25,000 00	
Improvement of Madison Square	34	35,000 00	
Ladder-house and site, Roslindale	35	3,000 00	
Linden Park	36	3,000 00	
Massachusetts Avenue	37	22,000 00	
Ninth-street Grading	38	22,000 00	
Q Street	39	40,000 00	
Street Improvements, East Boston	40	10,000 00	
Talbot Avenue	41	20,000 00	
Webster Street	42	40,000 00	
Wharves, Long Island	43	25,000 00	
	44	30,000 00	
	45	28,000 00	
			624,000 00
Carried forward		\$18,604,370 52	\$3,018,803 53

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

	No. of Account.		
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$18,564,370 52	\$3,018,808 53
Street Improvements, School-houses, etc., Loan 4½ viz.:—			
Extension Chelsea-street Sewer, Charles- town	46	\$5,000 00	
Sewer between Crescent Avenue and Greenwich Street	47	26,500 00	
Improved Sewerage	48	20,000 00	
City Building, Beacon Street	49	10,000 00	
Primary School-house, Ashmont	50	5,000 00	
Police Station-house, Boylston Street	51	20,000 00	
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	52	10,000 00	
Horace Mann School-house	53	15,000 00	
Grammar School-house, South Boston	54	90,000 00	
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street	55	35,000 00	
High School-house, Roxbury	56	90,000 00	
Harrison-avenue Widening	57	10,500 00	
Washington Street, between Forest Hills Station and Ashland Street	58	42,000 00	
Cambridge-street Bridge, Allston	59	45,000 00	
New Ferry-Boat	60	48,000 00	
Ward Street, ¾	61		472,000 00
Webster Street, ¾	62		7,000 00
			30,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans, viz.:—			
Additional Supply of Water, 4%	63		50,000 00
Extension of Mains, etc., ¾	64	\$200,000 00	
Do. ¾		100,000 00	
High Service, 4%	65		300,000 00
Do. 4%			300,800 00
Mystic Water Loans, viz.:—			
Renewal of Loan due October 1, 1886, 3¼%	66		60,000 00
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds of the City of Boston:—			
For payment of Debt	67		615,108 89
Interest on Bank Deposits	68		75,575 94
Premium on Loans Negotiated	69		70,860 00
Pay-Roll Tailings from Paymasters, settle- ments with Cashier, parties unpaid	70		25,282 96
Board of Overseers of the Poor, being re- imbursement for execution of Superior Court of Essex County in favor of City of Salem, paid for support of paupers	71		315 29
Total receipts on account of City of Boston (\$20,476,111.35), and County of Suffolk (\$125,202.25), during the year 1886-87			20,601,313 60
			<u>\$23,620,117 13</u>

PAYMENTS

FOR ACCOUNT OF CITY OF BOSTON.

	No. of Account.		
Paid during the year 1886-87 on Mayor's Drafts, and charged to the following ap- propriations, on account of the City of Boston:—			
Advertising	72		\$2,126 00
Architect's Department	73		18,928 3d
Armories	74		29,750 25
Assessors' Department	75		108,284 86
Auditor's Department	76		22,998 87
Board of Health, etc., viz.:—			
Board of Health	77	\$79,979 82	
Evergreen Cemetery	78	2,363 60	
Public Baths	79	16,094 91	
Quarantine	80	16,170 87	
			114,609 20
Boston Harbor	81		3,521 59
Bridges, viz.:—			
Bridges	82	\$91,941 88	
Albany-street Bridge	83	6,690 14	
Western-avenue Bridge to Watertown	84	2,600 88	
			101,312 90
Cedar Grove Cemetery	85		13,523 93
Chestnut-hill Driveway	86		999 70
City Clerk's Department	87		19,728 24
City Debt, Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds	88		625,005 00
City Loans, Redemption of:—			
City Loans	89	\$535,159 32	
Mystic Water Loans	90	60,000 00	
Cost of Redemption of Debt	91	949 57	
			696,108 89
City Hospital, viz.:—			
City Hospital	92	\$174,279 73	
Building for Contagious Cases	93	27,867 15	
Furnishing Dormitory for Nurses	94	732 50	
			202,899 38
City Messenger's Department	95		17,997 60
City Registrar's Department	96		18,087 22
Collector's Department	97		53,939 40
Common and Public Grounds, viz.:—			
Common	98	\$63,453 61	
Greenhouses, Roxbury Canal Land	99	4,630 37	
Improvement of Chester Square and Park	100	929 03	
Improvement of Independence Square	101	2,714 88	
Improvement of Madison Square	102	5,000 00	
Public Garden Bridge	103	65 55	
Roxbury Canal Land	104	1,909 18	
			78,702 62
Common Council Lockers	105		500 00
Contingent Funds, viz.:—			
Joint Committees	106	\$5,078 82	
Mayor	107	985 25	
Board of Aldermen	108	10,513 75	
Common Council	109	9,918 84	
			26,495 66
Damage by Dogs	110		1,704 23
Deeds, Real Estate, Advertising, etc.	111		6,000 58
East Boston Ferries, viz.:—			
East Boston Ferries	112	\$189,737 51	
New Ferry-Boat	113	11,492 50	
			201,230 01
Engineer's Department	114		29,999 29
Executive Department	115		20,566 49
Fire Department, viz.:—			
Fire Department	116	\$683,198 80	
Fire-Alarm Telegraph	117	30,564 94	
			713,763 74
Carried forward			\$1,024,385 03

REPORT ON TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

	No. of Account.		
<i>Brought forward</i>			\$3,024,386 03
Free Concerts	118		2,995 31
Health Department	119		451,827 50
Improved Sewerage	120		180,178 72
Incidental Expenses	121		79,400 13
Inspection of Buildings	122		48,766 41
Inspection of Milk and Vinegar	123		8,761 66
Inspection of Provisions	124		363 92
Interest on City Debt	125		1,498,729 78
Lamp Department	126		624,923 45
Law Department	127		23,199 85
Liquor License Expenses	128		36,000 65
Markets	129		9,698 63
Mount Hope Cemetery	130		36,982 92
Overseers of the Poor	131		108,826 09
Park Department, viz.: —			
Park Department	132	\$24,220 55	
Bussey Park and Arnold Arboretum	133	16,252 64	
Charles-river Embankment	134	123,517 73	
Covered Channel, Muddy River	135	1,021 04	
Franklin Park	136	61,297 97	
Franklin Park, Additional Land	137	23,000 00	
Marine Park, City Point	138	5,788 61	
Muddy-river Improvement	139	1,500 00	
Park Nursery	140	5,020 44	
Public Park Construction	141	16,285 63	
Wood Island Park	142	90 76	
			267,966 37
Paving Department, viz.: —			
Paving Department	143	\$710,052 48	
A Street, repaving	144	7,929 07	
B Street, repaving	145	12,639 25	
Chelsea Street, Charlestown, repaving	146	20,000 00	
Harrison Avenue, repaving	147	25,000 00	
Ninth Street, grading	148	9,797 76	
			785,418 55
Police Department	149		1,072,391 14
Printing and Stationery	150		62,286 80
Public Buildings, viz.: —			
Public Buildings	151	\$101,885 96	
City Building, Beacon Street	152	6,611 21	
Engine-House and Site, Brighton	153	1,150 20	
Engine-House, Charlestown	154	20,928 10	
Engine-House No. 6, Site for	155	21,750 00	
Engine-House, Saratoga Street	156	5,880 78	
Fire Department Building, Boylston Street	157	22,696 12	
Library Building, Dartmouth Street	158	70,696 11	
Police Station-House, Boylston Street	159	36,287 66	
South City Stables	160	4,862 64	
Stable, Police Division No. 14	161	3,148 31	
			295,855 04
Public Celebrations	162		19,566 46
Public Institutions, viz.: —			
Alms-house, Austin Farm	163	\$28,950 48	
Alms-house, Charlestown	164	19,670 21	
Home for Paupers, Long Island	165	60,548 20	
House of Correction	166	89,898 92	
House of Industry	167	184,401 75	
Lunatic Hospital	168	63,890 75	
Marcella-street Home	169	50,064 72	
Office Expenses	170	8,499 06	
Pauper Expenses	171	153,086 62	
Steamer "J. Putnam Bradlee"	172	16,995 82	
Wharves, Long Island	173	12,410 10	
			688,416 83
Public Lands	174		1,629 85
Public Library	175		129,081 07
Record Commissioners	176		4,107 24
Registration of Voters, etc., viz.: —			
Registration of Voters	177	\$28,390 02	
Election Expenses	178	12,437 99	
			40,828 01
Relief of Disabled Firemen	179		3,000 00
<i>Carried forward</i>			\$9,345,575 10

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

	No. of Account.		
<i>Brought forward</i>			\$9,345,575 10
Salaries	180		10,123 27
Schools and School-houses, viz.:—			
Salaries, Officers School Committee	181	\$55,739 67	
School Expenses, School Committee	182	214,394 67	
School-houses, Public Buildings	183	163,111 38	
School Instructors	184	1,213,806 24	
Gibson School-house Fund, Income	185	1,402 71	
Grammar School-house, Bennett Street	186	6,043 38	
Grammar School-house, Bennett Street, Furnishing	187	1,703 33	
Grammar School-house, Comins District, Grammar School-house, Comins District, Furnishing	188	85,546 03	
Grammar School-house, Dudley Street	189	5,991 48	
Grammar School-house, Minot District	190	47,501 68	
Grammar School-house, Minot District	191	6,367 21	
Hancock School-house, Heating, etc.	192	7,921 33	
Primary School-house, Blossom Street	193	15,334 85	
Primary School-house, Blossom Street, Furnishing	194	115 65	
Primary School-house, Harrison Avenue, Furnishing	195	535 77	
Primary School-house, Prescott District	196	6,548 17	
			1,782,063 45
Sealer of Weights and Measures	197		11,077 33
Sewer Department, viz.:—			
Sewer Department	198	\$155,227 93	
Sewers, Ashmont District	199	54,729 65	
Sewers, Beacon Street, etc.	200	20,634 90	
Sewers, Brighton	201	41,177 43	
Sewers, Charlestown	202	4,922 95	
Sewers, City Proper	203	32,137 55	
Sewer bet. Crescent Ave. & Greenwich St.	204	80,526 19	
Sewers, Dorchester	205	54,085 43	
Sewers, East Boston	206	13,997 56	
Sewers, Roslindale	207	16,919 43	
Sewers, Roxbury	208	46,481 39	
Sewers, South Boston	209	44,656 87	
Sewers, West Roxbury	210	45,644 76	
			611,142 04
Sinking-Fund Commissioners	211		2,330 95
Soldiers' Relief	212		96,911 46
Stony-Brook Improvement	213		10,273 70
Surveyor's Department	214		80,768 67
Temporary Debt, 1885-86	215		175,000 00
Temporary Loans, Anticipation of Taxes, 1886-87	216		2,000,000 00
Treasurer's Department	217		33,074 67
Cochituate Water-Works, viz.:—			
Cochituate Water-Works	218	\$624,935 48	
Additional Supply of Water	219	128,109 32	
Extension of Mains, etc.	220	167,905 54	
High-Service	221	131,272 11	
Introduction of Meters and Inspection	222	10,103 24	
Interest on Loans	223	694,931 76	
			1,757,257 45
Mystic Water-Works, viz.:—			
Mystic Water-Works	224	\$307,603 91	
Introduction of Meters and Inspection	225	128 25	
Interest on Loans	226	43,817 50	
			351,549 66
West Boston and other Bridges	227		11,172 97
Widening and Extending Streets, viz.:—			
Widening Streets	228	\$30,870 14	
Arnold Street	229	10,081 73	
Beacon Street and Brookline Avenue	230	258,810 07	
Boylston-street Extension	231	9,525 76	
Hanover-street Widening	232	16,212 00	
Humboldt Avenue	233	16,030 10	
Humboldt-avenue Extension	234	22,265 00	
Kneeland-place Extension	235	2,850 92	
Linden Park	236	12,532 82	
Massachusetts Avenue	237	63,481 08	
			\$16,228,320 74
<i>Carried forward</i>			

REPORT ON TREASURER'S DE

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. — Co

	No. of	
	Account.	
<i>Brought forward</i>		
Q Street	238	\$9,043
Stanford-street Extension	239	95,195
Street Improvements, East Boston	240	13,003
Ward Street	241	5,925
Washington Street, between Forest-Hills Station and Ashland Street	242	4,992
Webster Street	243	26,160
Widening Portland Street	244	35,153
Widening South Street, East Street to Kingston Street	245	4,300
Amounts paid, but not drawn for by Mayor through the Auditor's office, charged to the following accounts:—		
National Bank Taxes paid to State of Mas- sachusetts under protest, approved by Corporation Counsel, as per order of City Council, Dec. 23, 1886		
	246	\$546,848
Without protest	247	53,903
State Tax, 1886, paid to State of Massachu- setts	248	
Board of Commissioners of Sinking-Funds of the City of Boston:—		
Revenue from Betterments, Sales of Land, etc.	249	\$104,507
Proceeds of Sale of Mystic Water-Loan, renewed	250	60,000
Premium on Loans Negotiated	251	70,860
Liquor License Revenue, proportion paid to State of Massachusetts	252	
City 5% Loans, due prior to May 1, 1886	253	
Pay-Roll Tallings, payments by Cashier to parties not paid by paymasters	254	
Corporation Tax, 1886, paid to State of Massachusetts	255	
Eastburn School Fund	256	
Police Charitable Fund	257	
Taxes, Costs, Interest, etc., refunded	258	
Mt. Hope Cemetery Trust Fund	259	
Public Library Trust Funds	260	
Cedar Grove Cemetery Trust Fund	261	
Old Chinna, City Account	262	
Cochituate Water-rates, refunded	263	\$706
Mystic Water-rates, refunded	264	642
Residue Tax Sales, etc.	265	
Sewer Assessments, refunded	266	
Board of Overseers of the Poor, execution of Superior Court of Essex County in favor of City of Salem for support of paupers	267	
Tuition of Non-Residents, refunded	268	
Total payments, account of City of Boston, for the year 1886-87		
County of Suffolk.		
PAYMENTS.		
Amounts paid on account of the County of Suffolk during the financial year 1886- 87, as allowed and certified by the Audi- tor of the City of Boston, acting as the Auditor of the County of Suffolk, under authority of Sect. 34, Chap. 23, Public Statutes:—		
County Buildings		
Jail		
Supreme Judicial Court		
Superior Court, Civil Session		
Superior Court, Criminal Session		
<i>Carried forward</i>		

CITY TREASURER'S REPORT. — *Concluded.*

	No of Account.		
<i>Brought forward</i>		\$263,473 28	
Probate Court and Office		6,903 54	
Municipal Court, Civil Session		10,577 59	
Municipal Court, Criminal Session		48,125 30	
Municipal Court, Charlestown District		7,777 98	
Municipal Court, East Boston		5,790 27	
Municipal Court, South Boston		8,048 13	
Municipal Court, Dorchester		4,448 89	
Municipal Court, Roxbury		10,373 01	
Municipal Court, West Roxbury		3,288 99	
Municipal Court, Brighton		3,794 83	
Police Court, Chelsea		7,512 06	
Insanity Cases		8,892 49	
Medical Examinations		8,960 56	
Registry of Deeds		20,448 50	
Miscellaneous Expenses		12,508 58	
Fire Marshal		3,689 25	
Old Claims		5 50	
Suffolk County Court-House:— Commissioners' Salaries and Expenses	269	12,890 41	\$447,499 10
Add amount drawn by Mayor and certified by City Auditor:—			
Suffolk County Court-House	270	\$509,276 75	
Suffolk County Court-House Loan, Re- demption of	271	17,000 00	
Interest on County Loans	272	25,245 00	551,521 75
County Fines paid to complainant under Sect. 58, Chap. 207, Public Statutes	273		20 00
Total Payments, account of County of Sul- folk			\$999,040 85
RECAPITULATION.			
Balance, May 1, 1886			\$3,018,803 83
Receipts from May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887:—			
Account of City of Boston:—			
City Collector		\$13,855,168 27	
Temporary Loans		2,000,000 00	
City Loans		3,123,000 00	
Cochituate Water Loans		650,800 00	
Mystic Water Loans		60,000 00	
Other sources		787,143 08	
Total on account of City of Boston		\$20,476,111 35	
Account of County of Suffolk		125,202 25	20,601,313 60
Payments, from May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887:—			\$23,620,117 13
Account of City of Boston:—			
General Drafts, 1886-87		\$6,345,467 84	
Special Drafts, 1886-87		6,332,993 34	
Pay-Roll Drafts, 1886-87		4,191,293 30	
Amounts not drawn by Mayor through Auditor's office		1,670,640 71	
		\$18,540,395 19	
Account of County of Suffolk:—			
General Payments, 1886-87		\$464,493 00	
Special Drafts, 1886-87		534,521 75	
Old Claims prior to 1886-87		5 50	
Amounts paid in compliance with Pub- lic Statutes		20 00	
		999,040 85	19,539,436 04
Cash Balance, April 30, 1887, carried for- ward to financial year, 1887-88			\$4,080,681 00

Balances of Appropriations, carried forward to the financial year of 1887-88.
 Balances of Appropriations, carried into the Treasury.
 Excess of Actual over Estimated Income of 1886-87, carried into the Treasury.
 Excess of Liquor License Revenue over Expenses 1886-87, carried into the Treasury.

Liquor License Revenue of 1887-88 collected in April, 1887, carried forward to the Financial Year of 1887-88.

Amounts held to the credit of the following accounts, viz.:

Betterments, etc., due Board of Commissioners of Sinking Funds of the City of Boston, but not paid.
 City Debt overdue and not called for.
 Betterments received and held under protest.
 Old Claims, City of Boston.
 Pay-roll Tallies.
 Residue Tax Sales.
 Bay State Gas Company, Guarantee Fund.
 Police Charitable Fund.
 Cedar Grove Cemetery Trust Fund.
 Evergreen Cemetery Trust Fund.
 Naturalization Fees payable to County Law Library.
 Duplicate and Over-payments to Collector.
 Gibson School Fund.
 Old Claims, County of Suffolk.
 Mount Hope Cemetery Trust Fund.

\$3,229,425 99

\$4,791 83

226,101 42

270,084 70

500,977 45

371,678 70

\$4,102,081 44

28,420 38

25,000 00

12,535 53

7,923 57

6,727 13

1,522 01

1,328 00

942 21

751 12

240 00

104 50

65 30

25 79

25 35

20 00

\$4,187,672 34

Amount paid on account of Suffolk County Court-House, under order of City Council for loan of \$800,000, approved by the Mayor April 23, 1877, and not negotiated.

Cash deposited in National Banks and office, viz.:

Blackstone National Bank
 Bunker Hill
 Continental
 First Ward
 Fourth
 Lincoln
 Market
 Massachusetts
 Merchandise
 Metropolitan
 Monument
 Mount Vernon
 North
 People's
 Shawmut
 Third
 Traders'
 National Bank of the Commonwealth
 National Bank of North America
 National City Bank
 National Exchange Bank
 National Hyde and Leather Bank
 National Market Bank of Brighton
 National Rockland Bank
 National Security Bank
 National Bank of Redemption
 Howard National Bank
 Globe National Bank
 National Bank of the Republic
 National Reverse Bank
 National Bank of Commerce, pay-roll tallies account

Cash and cash vouchers in office, including advances made on May Draft.

\$106,991 25

\$101,125 02

101,108 27

101,108 22

50,558 34

101,100 90

75,842 81

101,116 65

80,545 11

101,100 87

75,830 75

75,843 65

60,502 97

60,560 12

101,108 14

60,510 02

101,073 74

101,101 89

75,842 81

101,080 11

101,104 27

101,116 05

101,107 74

101,108 36

50,558 87

75,842 81

50,558 38

264,543 02

301,220 92

242,049 23

379,932 63

421,249 78

6,27 13

\$3,794,179 68

286,501 51

4,080,681 09

\$4,187,672 34

ALFRED T. TURNER, City Treasurer.

EXAMINER'S REPORT.

BOSTON, July 9, 1887.

TO THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE TREASURY DEPARTMENT:—

Gentlemen,—In accordance with instructions received from your Sub-Committee, I have made an examination of the Accounts of the Treasurer of the City of Boston, for the fiscal year of 1886-7, closing with the 30th day of last April, and beg leave to render to you this, my report.

On the morning of Tuesday, the 21st of June, before the opening of business, I took an exact account of the cash in the office remaining on hand at the close of business the night before, viz., Monday, 20th June, 1887. Then, by personal visits to every bank in which the Treasurer had deposits (with the exception of one, Market of Brighton, from which I obtained an official certificate by mail), I verified the amounts of deposits to the credit of the Treasurer; at the same time doing the same thing in respect to the deposits to the credit of the Treasurer of the Sinking-Funds. Many banks have deposits from both of these treasuries, and my object was to see that no intermingling of funds had occurred. The details of the cash found on hand on the date above stated will be found in Statement "A," appended. Continuing (on Statement "A") are the figures as to the receipts and payments from the 30th April to 20th of June, proving the correctness of the cash on hand April 30, as per the Treasurer's report of that date.

I say "proving the correctness." This requires a qualification, in that I have to take for granted the accuracy of the receipts and payments between April 30 and June 21, having no authority to examine those transactions, as they fall within the fiscal year of 1887-8.

I referred to this imperfection in the examinations in my report of last year. This examination now makes complete that of last year, as the next will, probably, that of this. If authority could be conferred upon an examiner to take account of the cash actually on hand on the morning of May 1, then the examination of the accounts could be made at any time thereafter. I think this an important matter; speaking only as an examiner, having in view, not any probabilities of error, but the "impossibilities."

Statement "B" gives the summary of cash transactions during the fiscal year; commencing amount; receipts from all sources; payments of every description, and remaining balance.

Statement "D" deals with the unpaid balances of pay-rolls, called "Pay-roll Tailings" in the Treasurer's accounts. The pay-rolls are delivered to the several paymasters with the full amount of

money they call for, and are treated upon the Auditor's books as fully paid at once, being included in the amount of "Pay-Roll Drafts." By reason of absence of employes, trustee process, and various other contingencies, many amounts are not at once delivered and receipted for; a few never. The custom is now for each paymaster to turn over his uncompleted roll, daily, to the office paymaster, with the money for the balances still due. Then the office paymaster turns over, monthly, to the Cashier such of these pay-rolls as he has not in the meantime paid in full, together with the money still remaining due. This money then falls into the "Pay-roll Tailings" account, and forms the credit to that account, appearing upon the Treasurer's report; and the debit to that account consists of the payments thereafter made by the Cashier upon those incomplete rolls. I have examined those rolls, item by item, and the amount to the credit of "Pay-Roll Tailings" account exactly corresponds with the aggregate of same remaining unreceipted for. This money is kept as a special deposit in the Bank of Commerce. Those rolls are many in number, and extend back for many years. And I will renew my suggestions of last year, that the majority of them — the older ones — be consolidated in some shape, and the originals returned to the Auditor's office, where they belong.

Upon the statements above mentioned are such explanatory foot-notes as seem to be required.

The Treasurer is the custodian of certain Trust Funds, and I have examined the securities of the following funds held by him, viz. : —

Poor Widows Fund,
Fireman's Relief Fund,
John H. Eastburn Fund,
Franklin School Medal Fund,
Gibson School Fund,
Milmore Brimmer School Fund,
Smith Fund,
Stoughton School Fund,
Public Library Trust Fund,
City Hospital Trust Fund,
Cedar Grove Cemetery Trust Fund,
Mt. Hope Cemetery Trust Fund,
Evergreen Cemetery Trust Fund,

and they are correct, being invested in City of Boston debt, exactly as represented in the Auditor's report touching those matters.

The accounts of the Treasurer are very accurate, systematic, and orderly, and show evidence of punctilious care.

Respectfully,

RODNEY McLAUGHLIN,
Auditor.

Statement "A."

Being an account of cash on hand on the morning of Tuesday, June 21, 1887, or at close of business, Monday, June 20, 1887.

Cashier.

Bank-bills,	\$5,547 00	
Gold,	4,240 00	
Silver and copper coin,	8 84	
Check,	12 00	
Advances,	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$9,837 84

Teller.

Bank-bills,	\$3,381 00	
Coin,	179 24	
	<hr/>	3,560 24

County Paymaster.

McDonald.

Bank-bills,	\$388 00	
Coin,	168 45	
Advance fees,	11 50	
Pay-roll advances not yet included in Auditor's drafts: —		
Grand jurors,	633 24	
Memos. (sundries),	1,116 48	
Supreme Court,	1,403 60	
Municipal Court,	371 10	
Insane,	307 15	
	<hr/>	4,399 52

Certificates of deposit in First Ward

National Bank,	985 00	
	409 00	
	571 00	
	492 00	
	544 00	
	926 00	
	591 00	
	600 00	
	668 00	
	368 00	
	521 00	
	939 00	
	506 00	
	448 00	
	537 00	
	<hr/>	9,105 00
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		\$26,902 60

Banks.

Deposited in —	
Redemption,	350,068 32
Howard,	381,492 29
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Amount carried forward,

\$708,463 21

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Amount brought forward,
Globe,
Republic,
Revere,
Less check unpaid,

Commerce,
Less check unpaid,

Blackstone,
Bunker Hill,
Continental,
First Ward,
Fourth National,
Lincoln,
Market,
Massachusetts,
Maverick,
Merchandise,
Metropolitan,
Monument,
Mt. Vernon,
North,
People's,
Shawmut,
Third National,
Traders,
Commonwealth,
North America,
City,
Exchange,
Hide & Leather,
Market, Brighton,
Rockland,
Security,

The amount of cash on hand, June

Payments since April 30 : —

In May, \$1,652,361 78
In June (to 20th), 1,122,762 31

Receipts since April 30 : —

In May, \$462,006 04
In June (to 20th), 1,228,710 85

And this amount, \$4,080,681.09
on hand at the commencement of ti

Statement "B."

Receipts and Disbursements by the Treasurer for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1887.

Receipts:—

Cash on hand April 30, 1886,		\$3,018,803 53
Collector, City,	\$13,858,301 81	
" County,	122,068 71	
	<hr/>	13,980, 370 52

Or, as afterwards adjusted:—

City,	\$13,855,168 27
County,	125,202 25
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	\$13,980,370 52

Temporary Loans,	2,000,000 00
City Loans,	3,123,000 00
Cochituate Water Loans,	650,800 00
Mystic Water Loan,	60,000 00
Sinking-Fund Commissioners,	615,108 89
Interest on Bank Deposits,	75,575 94
Premiums on Loan Negotiated,	70,860 00
Pay-Roll Tailings,	25,282 96
Overseers Poor,	315 29
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	\$23,620,117 13

Payments: City.

General Drafts,	\$6,367,590 81
Unpaid,	22,122 97
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	\$6,345,467 84
Special Drafts,	6,332,993 34
Pay-roll Drafts,	4,191,293 30
Bank Taxes, protest,	546,848 90
Bank Taxes, no protest,	53,903 95
State Massachusetts Tax,	555,870 00
Sinking-Fund Commissioners:—	
Settlements, etc.,	\$104,507 74
Proceeds Mystic	
Loan,	60,000 00
Prem. on loans,	70,860 00
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	235,367 74
Liquor License to State of Mass.,	149,979 00
City Loan due before May 1, 1886,	50,000 00
Pay-roll Tailings, paid out,	24,240 12
Corporation Tax to Massachusetts,	14,325 19
School and Charitable Funds:—	
Old Claims, Refunds on Water-	
rates, Sewer Assessments, and	
other sundries,	40,105 81
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Amounts carried forward, \$18,540,395 19 \$23,620,117 13

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$18,540,395 19	\$23,620,117 13
<i>Payments: County.</i>		
General Payments,	\$464,508 95	
Unpaid,	15 35	
	464,493 60	
Special Ct.-House,	\$509,276 75	
County Interest,	25,245 00	
	534,521 75	
Old Claims,	5 50	
To Complainants,	20 00	
	19,539,436 04	
 Balance on hand, April 30, 1887,		 \$4,080,681 09

Statement "D."

PAY-ROLL TAILINGS ACCOUNT.

By Cash deposited in Bank of Commerce, June 8, 1887,		\$6,002 38
And there are unreceipted amounts or items, upon various pay-rolls in hand of Cashier, by Departments as follows: —		
Additional Supply of Water,	\$690 37	
Almshouse, Austin Farm,	8 67	
Beacon Hill Reservoir,	1 38	
Board of Health,	38 34	
Bridges,	6 00	
Broadway Extension,	14 50	
Bussey Park,	12 30	
Cedar Grove Cemetery,	6 63	
City Hospital,	75 83	
Common and Squares,	261 27	
Covered Channel, Muddy River,	1 90	
Covered Channel, So. Boston,	9 95	
D-street Extension,	6 99	
East Boston Ferries,	37 90	
Election Expenses,	33 00	
Fire Department,	424 05	
Fire Department, Repair Shop,	1 00	
Health Department,	451 51	
House of Correction,	11 75	
Improved Sewerage,	262 33	
Incidental Expenses,	8 00	
Lamp Department,	159 91	
Lunatic Hospital,	21 79	
Marcella-st. Home,	18 33	
Mt. Hope Cemetery,	31 88	
Mystic Sewer,	29 38	
Paving Department,	975 32	
	\$3,600 28	
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>		\$6,002 38

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$3,600 28	\$6,002 38
Police Department,	183 38	
Public Library,	14 84	
Public Park, Back Bay,	55 35	
Public Park, Back Bay Construction,	14 80	
Quarantine Department,	21 66	
Public Baths,	8 25	
School Committee,	113 93	
School Instructors,	882 95	
Sewer Department,	410 13	
Water-Works,	520 70	
West Roxbury Park,	9 97	
Home for Paupers, L.I.,	10 00	
Park Nursery,	10 00	
Balance left by F. U. Tracy,	146 14	
	————	\$6,002 38

This account I verified as of June 8. June 8 was a more convenient point of verification, and, as the correctness then includes that of all that precedes, I do not produce the figures as they would have stood April 30.

MEMORANDUM AS TO PAY-ROLL TAILINGS.

Cash on hand: —

Bank Bills,	\$778 00	
Coin,	1 31	
	————	\$779 31

Unpaid Pay-rolls: —

22 items as per memo.,		\$779 31
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There are committed to the Teller certain minor pay-rolls for payment by him, which rolls are, like all others, treated as paid in full by delivery of the money to him. Upon those rolls payments yet unmade amount to \$779.31, for which he had money on hand as above.

Unpaid Pay-rolls of County Payments: —

31 items in all,		\$198 64
For which payment McDonald holds the cash to pay, separate from other mentioned money,		\$198 64

The above is independent of "Pay-roll Tailings" account (preceding), and relates only to cash found in office June 21.

CITY OF



BOSTON.

REPORT

OF

EXAMINATION OF ACCOUNTS

OF THE

CITY AND COUNTY COLLECTOR,

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR 1886-87.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Dec. 5, 1887.

The Joint Standing Committee on the City Collector's Department, to whom was referred the annual report of the City Collector, and who were authorized by the City Council to employ an expert to examine the accounts of the department, respectfully submit herewith the expert's report for the information of the City Council.

For the Committee,

J. A. McLAUGHLIN,

Chairman.

Ordered to be printed with the annual report of the City Collector.

Report accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

J. H. O'NEIL,

City Clerk.

REPORT OF COL

BY THE

Collector of the City of Boston

FOR THE

FINANCIAL YEAR ENDING

CITY COL
CITY HALL, BOSTON

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL

Gentlemen, — I herewith submit the report made in this department for the financial year ending March 30, 1887.

Very respectfully,

JAMES

Collector for the City of Boston

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

Referred to Committee on City Affairs

JOSEPH

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1887.
April 30.

	No. of A count.		
By Cash received as follows:—			
Armories.	1		
Rents from Commonwealth of Massachusetts			\$9,700 00
Additional Supply of Water.	2		
Sale of Homer Farm			5,081 12
Bequest of Fenno Tudor	3		500 00
Board of Health.	4		
Grease licenses		\$76 00	
Nuisances, 1886-7 \$312 44			
" 1884-5 2 08			
Sale of Steamer		314 52	
Rebate on Gas		4,500 00	
		21	
			\$4,890 78
Evergreen Cemetery:—	5		
Sale of Lots		\$150 00	
Sale of Graves		92 00	
Care of Lots		449 37	
Sale of Wood		19 00	
			710 37
Quarantine:—	6		
Fees from Port Physician			3,367 56
Small-Pox Hospital:—	7		
Rents			300 00
			9,368 66
Bridges.	8		
Rebate on Gas		\$3 41	
Sale of Old Material		28 66	
Repairs		176 94	
			\$209 00
Rents of buildings, Charles-river and Warren Bridges			362 50
			571 50
Cedar Grove Cemetery.	9		
Sale of Lots		\$3,395 21	
From Superintendent		6,009 48	
Interest on Trust Funds		850 00	
			10,254 69
Cedar Grove Cemetery Trust Fund.	10		
Perpetual Care of Lots			2,256 13
City Hospital.	11		
Paying Patients		\$30,551 84	
Sale of Old Material		509 27	
Interest on Trust Funds		3,467 50	
Rebate on Gas		304 43	
			34,833 04
City of Roxbury.	12		
From Sewer Assessments			84 00
Collecting Bank Tax.	13		
From State of Mass. 1 per cent. commission for collecting Bank Tax			6,000 65
Common and Squares.	14		
Rebate on Gas			1 20
<i>Carried forward</i>			\$78,610 90

REPORT ON COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT.

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

		No. of Account.		
1887. April 30.	<i>Brought forward</i>			\$78,610 99
	City Messenger's Department.	16		
	Sale of Old Paper			29 43
	City Architect's Department.	16		
	Sale of Horse			62 00
	Church-Street District.	17		
	Sale of Land			637 50
	City of Charlestown.	18		
	Interest on Bond			715 18
	Cochituate Water-Works.	19		
	From Water-Rates, 1887		\$768,640 41	
	From Water-Rates, 1886		447,277 06	
	From Water-Rates, 1885		1,367 40	
			\$1,217,274 87	
	Fees		1,715 00	
	Cutting off		326 00	
	Miscellaneous:—			
	Service pipes and repairs		\$4,314 48	
	Non-payment		925 50	
	Repairs		2,846 60	
	Sale of Merchandise		1,327 61	
	" Old Material		6,486 85	
	" Engine		1,970 63	
	" Grass and wood		686 47	
	" Hydrants		394 75	
	" Roller		300 00	
	" Loam, etc.		328 50	
	Elevator and Stand-pipes		4,678 25	
	Extra charge to petitioners for main pipe		220 66	
	Sundries		243 85	
	Fines for waste		126 00	
	Rents		1,966 60	
	Frammingham Water Co.		146 90	
	Rebate on Gas		15 22	
			26,963 85	
	Collector's Department.	20		1,246,269 72
	Fees on Taxes		\$4,339 13	
	" Betterment Assessments,		1 20	
	" Paving Assessments		40 00	
	" Sewer "		53 00	
	" Health "		60	
	" School Instructors' As- sessments		1 20	
	" Board of Health Assess- ments		20	
			4,435 33	
	Contingent Fund, Board of Alder- men.	21		
	Refund of balance, trip to New York and Washington		\$412 52	
	Refund of balance Committee on Boundaries		4 97	
				417 49
	Duplicates and over-payments.	22		
	On Taxes			65 30
	Deeds, Real Estate Advertising, etc.	23		
	Sales of Real Estate for unpaid Taxes and Assessments			6,972 33
	East Boston Ferries.	24		
	Tolls, etc.		\$164,421 00	
	Rebate on Gas		76 69	
				164,497 69
	Fees.	25		
	From City Clerk, Sundries		\$5,640 55	
	" " Registrar, Marriage Licenses		2,619 50	
				8,260 05
	<i>Carried forward</i>			\$1,510,973 01

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.—Continued.

		No. of Account.			
1887.	<i>Brought forward</i>				\$1,516,978 61
April 30.	Fire Department.	26			
	Powder and Fireworks Licenses		\$43 00		
	Rebate on Gas		152 83		
	Service of Engine, etc.		212 00		
	Sale of Hose		196 99		
	" Old Material, etc.		283 34		
	" Manure		351 50	\$1,249 48	
	Rent of Chemical Engine No. 2		\$150 00		
	" " " 3		200 04		
	" " " 4		150 00		
	" " " 5		154 00		
	" " " 6		164 00		
	Hook & Ladder House, 4 Eastis street		168 00	986 04	2,325 50
	Fire-Alarm Telegraph.	27			
	Sale of Old Material				23 55
	Fort Hill Wharf.	28			
	Rents				500 00
	Hay-Scales.	29			
	Fees from South Scales			\$38 37	
	" Northern Scales			670 78	
	" Roslindale Scales			3 25	
	" Brighton Scales			9 09	
	" W. Roxbury Scales			91 38	812 87
	Health Department.	30			
	Sale of Asbes, 1886-87		\$5,821 23		
	" 1885-86		488 45	\$6,309 68	
	Removing Asbes, 1886-87			3,244 75	
	Labor			1,039 13	
	Sewer, 1886			89 94	
	Sale of Street Dirt, 1886-7			397 30	
	" Manure, 1886-7		\$785 50		
	" Manure, 1885-6		38 00	823 50	
	" Offal, { South Yard		\$17,276 00		
	{ Highlands		4,573 14		
	{ Charlestown		2,243 00	24,402 14	
	Conveying of Prisoners			3,475 25	
	Refuse, Fort Hill Wharf			463 75	
	Rebate on Gas			24 07	40,259 51
	Improved Sewerage.	31			
	Sale of Old Material			\$78 25	
	" Ralls and Tools			446 78	
	" Pump, etc.			100 86	
	" Stone			48 00	
	" Derrick and Engine			3,685 00	
	Use of Engine			4 00	
	Rebate on Gas			92	4,423 81
	Incidentals.	32			
	Forfeiture for Unlawful Sale			\$100 00	
	Costs from City Solicitor			164 44	264 44
	Inspection of Buildings.	33			
	Miscellaneous				93 50
	Inspection of Milk and Vinegar.	34			
	License Fees				875 00
	Interest.	35			
	On Taxes			\$40,118 53	
	" Sewers			933 31	
	" Paving			328 74	
	<i>Carried forward</i>			\$41,280 58	\$1,560,464 19

REPORT ON COLLECTOR'S

CITY COLLECTOR'S REP

1887.
April 30.

	No. of Account.
<i>Brought forward</i> . . . . .	..
On Bank Taxes	
" Board of Health	
Lamp Department.	36
Testing Burners	
Rebate on Gas	
Liquor Licenses	37
Licenses Account, 1886-7	
" " 1887-8	
" City Clerk Account, 1886-7, " " " " 1887-8,	
Markets.	38
Sup't, for weighing	
Mt. Hope Cemetery.	38
Sale of Lots	
Fees	
Interest on Trust Funds	
Mt. Hope Cemetery Trust Fund.	4
Perpetual Care of Lots	
Mytic Water-Works.	4
Water-Rates.	
Charlestown, 1887 . . \$77,231 47	
" 1886 . . 46,915 16	
Chelsea, 1887 . . \$58,722 35	
" 1886 . . 33,889 90	
" 1885 . . 8,156 67	
Somerville, 1887 . . \$70,162 56	
" 1886 . . 13,816 72	
Everett, 1887 . . \$12,071 12	
" 1886 . . 7,245 29	
" 1885 . . 640 79	
Miscellaneous:—	
Fines	
Fees	
Extra work on Service-pipes	
Off and on Water	
Sale of Old Material	
Maintaining Meters	
Interest on Contract fm Chelsea,	
Maintaining Stand-pipes	
Sale of Pipe	
Northampton-street District.	
Instalments on Bonds	
Interest " "	
Rents	
Overseers of the Poor.	
From Overseers of the Poor, Sup- port of Other Cities and Towns.	
From Commonwealth of Mass., State Paupers	
From Commonwealth of Mass., Burial and Support of Poor	
From Occupants of Charity Build- ing	
<i>Carried forward</i>	

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

	No. of Account.			
1887.				
April 30.				
<i>Brought forward</i>			\$16,902 14	\$2,947,280 33
Aid Refunded on Account City				
Temporary Home			35 28	
Rebate on Gas			39 88	
				16,977 30
Park Department.	44			
Rents		\$9,679 54		
Sale of Buildings . . . \$3,493 93				
" of Old Material . . . 1,882 50				
" Grass and Wood . . . 1,715 00				
Forfeit 100 00				
Rebate on Gas 3 22				
		7,194 65		
			\$16,874 19	
Public Park, Back Bay: —				
Betterments \$4,187 28				
Interest on do. 75 33				
		\$4,262 61		
Sale of Old Material		3 23		
			4,265 84	
Franklin Park: —				
Betterments \$5,723 04				
Interest on do. 3 74				
		\$5,725 78		
Sale of Fence		3 00		
			5,728 78	
Marine Park, City Point: —				
Betterments		\$1,887 00		
Interest on do.		188 17		
			2,075 17	
				28,928 96
Paving Department.	45			
Assessments, 1886-7 . . \$19,151 83				
" 1885-6 3,506 56				
		\$22,658 39		
Sale of Manure, 1886-7 . . \$279 25				
" " 1885-6 30 00				
		309 25		
Sale of Old Material, 1886-7		233 50		
Repairs		2 68		
Labor, 1885-6		87 75		
Rebate on Gas		1 17		
			\$23,292 74	
Rents			144 00	
				23,436 74
Pedlers.	46			
Licenses				775 00
Phillips Street-Fund Income.	47			
Interest on Trust Funds				1,200 00
Police Department.	48			
Licenses			\$11,038 75	
Extra Services			11,947 06	
Sale of Property, etc.			553 65	
Rebate on Gas			274 36	
				23,814 63
Police Charitable Fund.	49			
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
Dorchester District			\$330 20	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
Charlestown District			820 00	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
West Roxbury District			190 20	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
Roxbury District			1,285 70	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
Brighton District			857 00	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
South Boston District			1,462 20	
Witness Fees, Municipal Court,				
East Boston District			350 30	
<i>Carried forward</i>			\$4,813 00	\$3,042,472 97

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.—Continued.

	No. of Account.			
1887. April 30.				
<i>Brought forward</i>			\$4,813 00	\$3,042,472 97
Witness Fees, Superior and Municipal Criminal Courts			6,823 50	
For Medical Examination			2 00	11,639 10
Printing and Stationery	50			
Sales of Stock			\$7,068 52	
Sales of City Documents			69 00	7,137 52
Public Buildings	51			
Rents:—				
Ward-Rooms		\$598 00		
Curtis Hall		270 00		
Faneuil Hall		207 49		
			\$1,075 49	
Heating Old State-House		\$168 85		
Sale of Old Paper		10 87		
Rebate on Gas		119 68		
			299 38	1,374 87
Public Institutions	52			
Income from Directors for Public Institutions:—				
House of Correction			\$26,562 36	
House of Industry			36,273 65	
Lunatic Hospital			10,058 90	
Marcella-street Home			170 22	
Almshouse, Austin Farm			3,241 73	
Almshouse, Charlestown			290 17	
Pauper Expenses			1,254 17	82,851 20
Public Lands	53			
Instalments on Bonds:—				
Neck Lands \$3,513 75				
Interest on do. 241 44				
		\$3,755 19		
So. Boston Lands \$2,769 75				
Interest on do. 519 97				
		3,289 72		
Charlestown Lands \$191 00				
Interest on do. 23 65				
		219 65		
City proper		6,116 00		
			\$13,380 56	
Rents:—				
Wharves, Albany Street		\$3,400 00		
" 6, South Bay		1,225 00		
Estates, Rutherford Avenue		712 00		
" Cor. First and M Sts.		150 00		
" L and E. First Streets, Albany Street		150 00		
" Albany and Stoughton Streets		100 00		
" Dover Street		250 00		
" Dover Street		50 00		
Great Brewster Island		100 00		
			6,137 00	
Sales of Land			75 00	19,592 56
Public Institutions Site, Long Island, Instalments on Bonds	54		\$304 94	
Interest on do.			108 31	413 25
Public Library	55			
Interest on Trust Funds			\$7,875 99	
Fines			3,515 67	
Sale of Catalogues			223 33	
Donation of J. I. Bowditch			1,000 00	
Conscience Money			25 00	
Rebate on Gas			168 18	
				12,808 17
<i>Carried forward</i>				\$3,178,289 64

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.— *Continued.*

		No. of Account.			
1887.	<i>Brought forward</i>				\$3,178,386 64
April 30.	Public Celebrations.	56			
	Income from Foss Flag Fund			\$120 00	
	" " 17th June "			120 00	
	" " Babcock Music Fund,			157 41	
					307 41
	Rents.	57			
	Markets			\$34,914 30	
	Old State House			10,537 50	
	Quincy Hall			2,500 00	
	Rotunda of Quincy Hall			750 00	
	Room			400 00	
	Produce Exchange			400 00	
	House, 94 Roxbury Street			300 00	
	Stable, Charlestown			150 00	
	Faneuil Hall Steps			100 00	
					100,051 70
	Residue.	58			
	From Tax Sales				1,086 82
	Roxbury Canal Improvement.	59			
	Instalments on Bonds		\$9,541 00		
	Interest on do.		636 30		
					10,177 30
	Schools and School-houses.	60			
	School-houses, Public Buildings:				
	Instalments on Bonds . \$509 00				
	Interest on do. 76 35				
			\$585 35		
	Rents		102 00		
	Refund, over-payment on Sewer bill		149 92		
	Sales of Land		44 00		
				\$881 27	
	School Expenses, — School Committee: —				
	Sale of Books and Supplies		\$101 13		
	Rebate on Gas		170 38		
				271 51	
	School Instructors: —				
	Tuition, — Non-Residents		\$7,866 75		
	Deaf-Mutes		6,743 90		
	Dog Licenses		18,623 00		
	Income from Stoughton School Fund		212 00		
	Income from Smith School Fund		386 00		
				33,831 65	
	Gibson School Fund Income: —				
	Interest on Note		\$36 00		
	Income from Trust Funds		880 00		
	Rents		90 00		
				1,006 00	
	English High and Latin School Building: —				
	Instalments on Bonds		\$9,727 00		
	Interest on do.		972 70		
				10,699 70	
	Scaler of Weights and Measures.	61			
	Fees				46,000 13
	Sewer Department.	62			
	Assessments, 1886-7, \$10,432 02				
	" 1885-6, 36,096 81				
	" 1884-5, 43 68				
	" 1883-4, 40 27				
	" 1875-6, 70 45				
	" 1872, 24 22				
	" 1870, 1,304 92				
	" 1868, 88 76				
	" 1866, 59 96				
	" 1862, 21 02				
	" 1861, 118 60				
	" 1859, 29 52				
	<i>Carried forward</i>		\$48,380 23		\$3,330,963 60

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.— *Continued.*

		No. of Account			
1887.	<i>Brought forward</i> . . .	\$48,330 23			\$3,339,963 60
April 30.	Assessments, 1888, . . .	84 95			
	" 1848, . . .	18 54			
	Entrance fees, from Sup't . . .		\$48,433 02		
	Labor and Repairs, 1886-7 . . .		2,870 29		
	Sale of Old Material, 1886-7, \$76 50		484 75		
	" " 1885-6, 12 81				
	" " 1884-5, 24 50				
	Rebate on Gas		113 31		
			2 81	\$51,854 48	
	Sewers, Ashmont:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$1,929 74		
	Interest on do.		1 80	1,981 54	
	Sewers, Brighton:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$6,072 49		
	" " 1886-6		2,248 81		
	Interest on do.		58 46	8,879 76	
	Sewers, Dorchester:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$3,850 66		
	" " 1886-6		1,425 64		
	Interest on do.		17 17	5,298 47	
	Sewers, East Boston:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$408 24		
	Interest on do.		19	408 48	
	Sewers, South Boston:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$580 52		
	Interest on do.		39	580 91	
	Sewers, Roxbury:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7		\$6,280 38		
	Interest on do.		1 77	6,282 15	
	Sewers, City proper:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7			340 72	
	Sewers, Charlestown:—				
	Assessments, 1886-7			88 47	
	Soldiers' Relief.	63			74,609 98
	From State of Massachusetts,				
	State Aid				78,619 00
	State Bank Tax.	64			600,004 18
	Tax of 1886. Collected by City .				
	Stony Brook Improvement.	65			59 00
	Rents				
	Suffolk Street District.	66			
	Instalments on Bonds			\$1,102 00	
	Interest on do.			158 30	
					1,265 30
	<i>Carried forward</i>				\$4,094,511 01

CITY COLLECTOR'S REPORT. — *Continued.*

					No. of Account.		
<i>Brought forward</i>							\$4,004,511 01
1887. April 30. Taxes. Assessments of 1886:—					67		
Wards.	Polls.	Real Estate.	Personal.	Totals.			
1	\$4,805 50	\$66,125 68	\$11,122 65	\$100,053 84			
2	3,815 00	100,379 95	9,000 07	122,224 02			
3	4,184 00	65,975 40	15,673 92	86,833 32			
4	4,199 00	82,647 40	8,454 75	95,298 65			
5	4,198 00	126,983 22	47,852 80	179,834 11			
6	2,513 50	400,538 94	202,927 38	605,980 82			
7	2,376 00	215,029 44	89,869 74	407,275 18			
8	3,086 50	89,833 53	7,500 31	100,420 34			
9	2,222 50	191,087 08	165,442 90	390,672 46			
10	2,727 50	1,111,828 47	419,731 46	1,534,387 43			
11	4,360 00	704,707 80	206,143 06	1,220,909 86			
12	2,548 00	662,404 63	220,540 10	884,492 73			
13	3,061 00	130,730 90	4,327 65	148,025 55			
14	3,008 00	124,991 95	15,734 35	143,734 30			
15	3,723 50	74,872 73	8,877 30	87,473 53			
16	2,861 00	162,297 37	9,169 36	174,328 73			
17	3,573 00	147,573 21	42,407 96	223,554 17			
18	4,380 00	203,016 70	85,081 54	292,478 24			
19	4,360 00	141,787 28	18,837 42	165,000 68			
20	3,327 00	262,252 83	17,150 08	282,730 91			
21	3,650 00	248,229 19	73,738 75	325,618 94			
22	3,825 00	228,425 04	18,552 16	250,802 20			
23	6,302 00	160,005 03	105,563 83	271,870 86			
24	7,648 00	283,270 87	60,180 24	391,099 11			
25	3,225 00	167,763 85	17,376 80	188,365 65			
	\$104,061 50	\$6,165,525 02	\$2,188,017 68				
Total, 1886						\$8,457,604 20	
Assessments, 1885:—							
Polls					\$7,550 50		
Real Estate					892,033 32		
Personal					26,463 78		425,047 55
Assessments, 1884:—							
Polls					\$250 00		
Real Estate					1,987 44		
Personal					472 60		2,710 04
Assessments, 1883:—							
Polls					\$43 00		
Real Estate					174 00		
Personal					3 75		220 75
Assessments, 1882:—							
Polls					\$23 00		
Real Estate					36 24		59 24
Assessments, 1881:—							
Polls					\$8 00		
Real Estate					33 36		41 36
Assessments, 1880:—							
Polls					\$5 00		
Real Estate					19 76		24 76
Assessments, 1879:—							
Polls					\$2 00		
Real Estate					11 25		13 25
Assessments, 1878:—							
Polls					\$2 00		
Real Estate					57 60		59 60
<i>Carried forward</i>						\$8,885,780 75	\$4,004,511 01

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1887.
April 30.

Brought forward
Assessments, 1877:—
 Polls
 Real Estate
Assessments, 1875:—
 Real Estate
Assessments, 1874:—
 Polls
 National Bank Tax
 Corporation Tax from State
 Corporation Bank Tax from State
 Ships Engaged in Foreign Trade
 West Boston and other Bridges
 Miscellaneous
Widening Streets.
 Advertising, etc.
 Rents: Land corner Water
 Washington Streets
 Instalment on Bond
Broadway Extension:—
 Betterments \$1
 Interest on do.
 Rents
 Interest on Bond
Beach Street:—
 Instalment on Bonds
 Interest on do.
Harrison-avenue Extension
 Betterments
 Interest on do.
Widening Portland Street
 Betterments
 Interest on do.
Widening South Street, 1877
 Kneeland:—
 Betterments
 Interest on do.
Woodbury-street Extension
 Betterments
 Interest on do.
Chapman-place Extension
 Betterments
 Interest on do.
Widening Hanover Street
 Sale of Building
Stanford-street Extension
 Sale of Old Building

Amount paid City Treasurers

Boston, April 30, 1887.

COUNTY COLLECTOR'S REPORT.

1887. April 30.	By Cash received as follows:—	No. of Account.	
	From Sheriff.	79	
	Fines and costs		\$26,021 18
	From Clerk of Supreme Judicial Court.	80	
	Half surplus fees		936 28
	From Clerk of Superior Criminal Court.	81	
	Half surplus fees		2,171 53
	From Clerk of Superior Court, Civil Session.	82	
	Fines and costs		4,300 49
	From Justice of Municipal Court, West Roxbury.	83	
	Fines and costs		1,283 60
	From Justice of Municipal Court, Brighton.	84	
	Fines and costs		1,917 47
	From Clerk of Municipal Court, South Boston.	85	
	Fines and costs		7,563 07
	From Clerk of Municipal Court, Charlestown.	86	
	Fines and costs		5,091 02
	From Clerk of East Boston District Court.	87	
	Fines and costs		2,567 52
	From Justice of Municipal Court, Dorchester.	88	
	Fines and costs		2,181 96
	From Clerk of Municipal Court, Roxbury.	89	
	Fines and costs		8,007 29
	From Clerk of Municipal Court, Criminal Cases.	90	
	Fines and costs		39,697 14
	From Clerk of Municipal Court, Civil Cases.	91	
	Fees		6,609 63
	From Master of House of Correction.	92	
	Fines and costs		692 43
	From Superintendent House of Industry.	93	
	Fines and costs		12,675 72
	From Clerk of Police Court, Chelsea.	94	
	Fines and costs		2,567 77
	Pedlers' Licenses	95	236 00
	State Inquests	96	354 25
	Naturalization fees	97	66 00
	Sale of old material	98	199 79
	Rebate on gas	99	112 03
			\$125,202 25

Amount paid County Treasurer \$125,202 25

JAMES W. RICKER,

Collector for the County of Suffolk.

Boston, April 30, 1887.

GENERAL SUMMARY. YEAR 1886-7.

City Collector in Account with City of Boston.

To Balance, from year 1885-6	\$1,999,838 50	By Amount cash paid to City Treasurer, May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887	\$13,980,370 52
" New accounts committed May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887	11,398,685 41	" Abatements on bills from May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887	371,577 28
" Additional bills on account of earlier years, committed during the current year	414,896 15	" Balance uncollected to New Account, 1887-8	1,827,143 65
" Amount of cash deposited May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887	2,865,721 39		
	\$16,179,091 45		\$16,179,091 45

1886-7.

Assessments and Bills committed from May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887, and Amounts Collected, Abated, and Uncollected upon the respective Accounts.

	Committed.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected.
Board of Health, 1886-7	\$5,451 21		\$4,889 65	\$562 56
Bonds, Public Lands, 1886-7	30,590 00		6,116 00	24,474 00
Bonds, Street Improvements, 1886-7	6,964 10		1,316 10	5,648 00
Bridges, 1886-7	511 72		205 69	306 13
Cochituate Water-Rates, 1887	896,064 85	\$15,741 57	768,640 41	111,682 37
County of Suffolk, 1886-7	354 25		354 25	
Fire Department, 1886-7	1,249 46		1,249 46	
Health Department, 1886-7	41,386 60	964 40	39,643 12	779 08
Improved Sewerage, 1886-7	4,574 70	6 00	4,218 70	350 00
Inspection of Buildings, 1886-7	123 50		93 50	30 00
Lamp Department, 1886-7	191 10		85 03	106 07
Mystic Water-Rates:—				
Chelsea, 1886	36,723 28	2,833 88	33,889 90	
Everett, 1886	7,823 41	578 12	7,245 29	
Charlestown, 1887	85,009 26	1,028 30	77,231 47	7,549 49
Chelsea, 1887	61,191 36	1,104 32	58,722 35	1,364 69
Somerville, 1887	72,882 56	1,572 18	70,162 56	1,147 87
Everett, 1887	12,651 27	288 50	12,071 12	291 65
Paving, 1886-7	22,860 28	901 70	19,668 43	2,290 15
Public Buildings, 1886-7	168 85		168 85	
Rents, 1886-7	134,302 93	525 00	131,968 93	1,809 00
School Instructors, 1886-7	35,017 15	968 77	33,831 65	216 73
Sewers, 1886-7	28,279 56	1,727 97	13,316 07	13,235 52
Brighton, 1886-7	19,719 89	117 15	6,072 49	13,530 25
Ashmont, 1886-7	5,798 70	100 98	1,929 74	3,767 98
Dorchester, 1886-7	6,343 97		3,850 96	2,493 31
East Boston, 1886-7	726 79	60 46	408 24	268 09
South Boston, 1886-7	1,050 51		580 62	469 99
Roxbury, 1886-7	14,205 79		6,230 38	7,975 41
West Roxbury, 1886-7	1,190 28			1,190 28
Charlestown, 1886-7	547 87		89 47	459 40
City proper, 1886-7	643 87		340 72	303 15
Taxes, 1886	9,070,296 56	83,100 57	8,457,604 20	529,591 79
Bank Taxes, City, 1886	187,069 22		187,069 22	
" State, 1886	600,004 18		600,004 18	
" Commission, 1886	6,060 65		6,060 65	
Widening Streets, 1886	16 23		16 23	
	\$11,398,635 41	\$111,609 32	\$10,555,343 18	\$731,682 96

Balances of 1885-6 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected, April 30, 1887.
Betterments, 1885-6	\$184,167 00	\$109,749 30	\$7,609 04	\$16,808 66
Bonds, Public Lands, 1885-6	7,509 26	.....	200 25	7,309 00
Cochituate Water-Rates, 1886, and additional	479,124 69	26,663 00	447,277 06	6,184 63
Health Department, 1885-6	1,664 09	849 30	626 45	278 94
Improved Sewerage, 1885-6	198 00	.....	196 00	.....
Mystic Water-Rates:—				
Chelsea, 1885, and additional	3,700 09	543 42	3,156 67	.....
Everett, 1885, and additional	769 84	128 75	640 79	.....
Charlestown, 1886, and add'l	48,342 40	1,392 94	46,915 16	34 30
Somerville, 1886, and add'l	14,682 97	867 25	13,815 72	.....
Paving, 1885-6	4,697 36	703 54	3,624 31	369 60
Rents, 1885-6	2,296 34	708 00	1,008 34	680 00
School Instructors, 1885-6	96 00	48 00	.....	48 00
Sewers, 1885-6	46,367 88	8,927 16	36,109 12	1,331 60
Brighton, 1885-6	2,844 23	418 88	2,248 81	176 54
Dorchester, 1885-6	2,842 61	313 75	1,425 64	1,103 22
Taxes, 1886, and additional	556,766 94	7,638 66	425,047 55	124,090 73
Lamp Department, 1885-6	35 00	.....	.....	35 00
Inspection of Buildings, 1885-6	60 50	.....	.....	60 50
	\$1,206,165 48	\$158,951 95	\$989,802 91	\$157,410 62

Balances of 1884-5 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected, April 30, 1887.
Board of Health, 1884-5	\$2 08	.....	\$2 08	.....
Bonds, Public Lands, 1884-5	3,729 93	.....	304 94	3,424 99
" Street Improvements, 1884-5	1,191 00	.....	.....	1,191 00
Cochituate Water-Works, 1885	15,688 43	\$14,331 03	1,357 40	.....
Health Department, 1884-5	1,184 20	.....	.....	1,184 20
Rents, 1884-5	25 00	25 00	.....	.....
School Instructors, 1884-5	22 57	22 57	.....	.....
Sewers, 1884-5	463 96	148 01	68 18	247 77
Taxes, 1884	110,846 69	2,319 45	2,710 04	106,817 20
	\$183,163 86	\$16,846 06	\$4,442 64	\$111,866 16

Balances of 1883-4 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected, April 30, 1887.
Betterments, 1883-4	\$28,633 34	\$7,874 10	\$12,302 57	\$8,456 67
Bonds, Public Lands, 1883-4	1,060 00	.....	950 00	110 00
" Street Improvements, 1883-4	82,180 00	.....	19,268 00	12,912 00
Health Department, 1883-4	2,036 55	951 33	.....	1,085 22
Paving, 1883-4	20 46	.....	.....	20 46
School Instructors, 1883-4	73 15	25 88	.....	47 27
Sewers, 1883-4	1,708 63	.....	40 27	1,668 36
Taxes, 1883	100,287 10	435 60	220 75	99,630 75
	\$166,999 23	\$9,286 91	\$32,781 59	\$123,930 73

Balances of 1882-3 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Betterments, 1882-3	\$12,794 38	.....	\$6,829 38	\$5,965 00
Bonds, Public Lands, 1882-3	4,250 00	.....	4,250 00	
Health Department, 1882-3	1,026 24	.....		1,026 24
School Books, 1882	4 15	.....	4 15	
" Instructors, 1882-3	111 00	\$111 00		
Sewers, 1882-3	52 10	.....		52 10
Taxes, 1882	94,910 85	5 00	59 24	94,846 61
	\$113,148 82	\$116 00	\$11,142 77	\$101,890 06

Balances of 1881-2 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Betterments, 1881-2	\$11,700 00	.....		\$11,700 00
Bonds, Public Lands, 1881-2	768 00	.....	\$192 00	576 00
Health Department, 1881-2	860 16	.....		860 16
Taxes, 1881	94,110 87	\$4 00	41 36	94,065 61
	\$107,439 02	\$4 00	\$233 36	\$107,201 66

Balances of 1880-1 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Bonds, Public Lands, 1880-1	\$3,061 75	.....	\$832 25	\$2,199 60
" Street Improvements, 1880-1	15,226 50	.....	9,563 00	5,663 50
Stony - Brook Improvement, 1880-1	265 50	.....		265 50
Taxes, 1880	81,889 58	\$5 00	24 76	81,859 82
	\$100,463 33	\$5 00	\$10,470 01	\$89,988 32

Balances of 1879-80 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Betterments, 1879-80	\$52,922 33	\$2,452 05	\$4,187 28	\$46,283 00
Bonds, Street Improvements, 1879-80	7,980 00	.....	3,662 00	4,318 00
Taxes, 1879	76,780 09	14 00	13 25	76,752 84
	\$137,682 42	\$2,466 05	\$7,862 53	\$127,353 84

Balances of 1876-8 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Bonds, Street Improvements, 1878-9	\$1,060 00	.....	\$500 00	\$560 00
Taxes, 1878	72,316 81	\$72,156 00	60 80	160 61
	\$73,366 81	\$72,156 00	\$559 00	\$650 61

Balances of 1877-8 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Bonds, Street Improvements, 1877-8	\$760 00	.....	.....	\$760 00
Insurance Scrip, 1877-8	100 00	.....	.....	100 00
Sewers, 1877-8	127 41	.....	.....	127 41
Taxes, 1877	340 00	.....	\$63 70	256 30
	\$1,346 41	.....	\$63 70	\$1,252 71

Balances of 1876-7 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Sewers, 1876-7	\$6,189 77	.....	.....	\$6,189 77
Taxes, 1876	529 16	\$22 32	.....	506 84
	\$6,718 93	\$22 32	.....	\$6,696 61

Balances of 1875-6 Accounts.

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.	Abated.	Collected.	Uncollected April 30, 1887.
Sewers, 1875-6	\$1,597 96	.....	\$70 45	\$1,527 51
Taxes, 1875	2,565 62	\$33 51	4 11	2,628 00
	\$4,163 58	\$33 51	\$74 56	\$4,055 51

REPORT ON COLLECTOR

Balances of Assessments and Bills Co August 9, 1887

	Balances Outstanding April 30, 1886.
Betterments	\$11,609 04
Board of Health	10,079 55
Bonds, Street Improvements	14,919 75
Health Department	5,941 02
Paving	102,766 71
Sewers	83,375 90
Taxes 1822 to 1874, inclusive	36,304 70
	\$265,086 76

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	Balances Out- standing April 30, 1886, and Amounts Com- mitted from May 1, 1886, to April 30, 1887.
Betterments	\$251,826 00
Bonds: —	
Public Lands	50,978 93
Street Improvements	80,280 35
Cochituate Water-Rates	1,390,877 47
Health Department	69,622 39
Mystic Water-Rates	244,376 14
Paving	130,344 80
Miscellaneous	7,852 96
Rents	136,624 27
Sewers	224,077 77
School Instructors	35,319 87
Taxes	11,091,189 02
	\$13,812,370 06

Of the Betterments above reported un-
of suits brought against the city for red
years: —

1869	
1874	
1875	
1879-80	
1881-82	
1882-83	
1883-84	
1885-86	

Deeds to the city for real estate sold
Collector for the following amounts: —

Taxes, 1869	
" 1870	

Carried forward,

EXAMINER'S REPORT.

BOSTON, July 9, 1887.

TO THE JOINT STANDING COMMITTEE ON THE COLLECTOR'S DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF BOSTON: —

Gentlemen, — I have made an examination of the Accounts of the City Collector for the fiscal year ending April 30, 1887.

As the books of the City Treasurer have to the credit of the Collector the same sum, in the aggregate, that is shown as a debit to the Treasurer on the Collector's books, there would remain nothing in the matter of his outgoes to look to. As to the income of the Collector's office the liability, of course, must be very limited. All bills committed to him for collection are at the same time reported to the Auditor's office, and stand charged directly to him upon the books there. All the Collector's payments to the Treasurer are reported in like manner, and for which he has credit; so that upon the Auditor's books a certain sum stands to the debit of the Collector continually, and that sum is represented upon the Collector's books by the "uncollected balances" outstanding against various parties for taxes and other bills. An attempt to verify these balances exactly, that is, to pick out from among the many thousands of bills all the unpaid ones and make their aggregate equal the balance of the tax account for that year, would be, not impossible, but, perhaps, idle, and require a very great amount of time.

As the tax accounts for former years become more nearly paid in full it becomes easier to thus verify their correctness, most of them proving in the end remarkably accurate. I think the evidence is very satisfactory that these accounts are very faithfully managed, and the percentage of collections being more than ninety-nine per cent., usually, of the entire amounts committed, is a sufficient attest to the thorough administration of the affairs. The poll-tax accounts show a less close collection, as very many such assessments are necessarily against a floating and irresponsible class. I append a schedule marked X, showing statement of the "Public Land" and the "Street Improvement Bonds," or, in other words, mortgages upon lands or property sold by the city, and not fully paid for; these mortgages being in the custody of and upon the books of the Collector. Statement Y is that of a small special account of the residue of tax sales, being the surplus after sales of real estate for taxes, due the former owners, and yet unpaid to them. Those accounts are not in the books of the Collector, and he holds the money as if Trustee for whom it may concern.

The entire accounting of the Collector's department is in a very satisfactory condition.

Respectfully,

RODNEY McLAUGHLIN,

Statement "X."

PUBLIC-LAND BONDS.

1886.				
April 30.	Balance on hand, as per report,	\$20,398	93	
	Bonds added during the year,	30,580	00	
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	Bonds paid in 1886-7,	\$50,978	93	
		12,895	44	
		<hr/>		\$38,083 49
	Interest paid during the year 1886-7, as per items in Collector's report,	\$241	44	
		519	97	
		28	65	
		103	31	
		<hr/>		\$898 37

STREET-IMPROVEMENT BONDS.

1886.				
April 30.	Balance on hand, as per report,	\$73,316	25	
	Bonds added during the year,	6,964	10	
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	Bonds paid in 1886-7,	\$80,280	35	
		34,309	10	
		<hr/>		\$45,971 25
	Deduct Gibson School bond, which appears upon the accounts of A. T. Turner, Trustee,	400	00	
		<hr/>		\$45,571 25
	Interest paid upon these bonds during the year 1886-7, as per items in Collector's report,	\$715	18	
		153	30	
		877	72	
		323	85	
		102	56	
		12	00	
		136	30	
		76	35	
		972	70	
		<hr/>		\$3,869 96

And I have examined each and every bond or mortgage comprised in the amounts above, and they are on hand as represented.

Statement "Y."

RESIDUE TAX SALES.

The amount as per Collector's private memorandum, or book, which is called for and the correctness I can only take for granted, as this residue account does not enter into the Collector's books, is

\$2,061 64

And the money is thus accounted for:—

Merchants' National Bank as per pass-book,

\$1,070 64

Bank bills on hand,

641 00

Collector's cash in receipts for \$50 00

And for 300 00

350 00

\$2,061 64

CITY OF BOSTON.



REQUEST

FOR AN

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

FOR

INCIDENTAL EXPENSES.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, December 15, 1887.

To the Honorable City Council: —

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned would respectfully report that there is needed an additional appropriation for Incidental Expenses.

The appropriations were \$40,000 00

The expenses have been as follows: —

Entertainment and reception of Queen Kapiolani and suite	\$18,053 47
Legal expenses	7,323 70
Damages	4,323 08
Entertaining distinguished strangers	3,254 70
Free concerts	2,972 60
Legislative affairs	1,280 54
Amount drawn to pay travel- ing expenses of Committee on Underground Wires to New York, Philadelphia, and Washington	800 00

Amounts carried forward, \$38,008 09 \$40,000 00

<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$38,008 09	\$40,000 00
Commission in public ceme- teries	500 00	
Resetting edgestone of Frog pond	500 00	
Foundation for pedestal of Lief Ericson statue	396 45	
Ringin ^g bells	387 00	
Repairing band-stand, Common	207 50	
	<hr/>	39,999 04
Balance Dec. 1, 1887		<hr/> <hr/> 96

It is estimated that to pay the bills now in this office, amounting to \$2,668.53, and the expenses for the balance of the financial year, will require an additional appropriation of \$15,000.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.



REQUEST

FOR AN

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION

FOR

CONTINGENT FUND, JOINT COMMITTEES.

OFFICE OF THE CITY AUDITOR,
CITY HALL, December 15, 1887.

To the Honorable City Council: —

GENTLEMEN, — The undersigned would respectfully report that there is needed an additional appropriation for Contingent Fund, Joint Committees.

The expenditures have been as follows: —

Carriage-hire and travelling expenses	\$4,051 50
Entertaining Philadelphia guests	2,758 95
Refreshments	1,634 45
Phonographic reports of hearings	624 81
Funeral of Ex-Mayor Palmer	213 60
Messenger service	110 00
Compiling volume of Statutes	100 00
Books and papers	8 30
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	\$9,501 61

The appropriation was	\$6,000 00
Transfer	3,000 00
Returned to Treasury of amount drawn to pay travelling expenses	501 65
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	\$9,501 65
Expenses as above	9,501 61
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Balance Dec. 1, 1887 ,	04
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It is estimated that to pay the bills now in this office, amounting to \$465.55, and those to be incurred the balance of the financial year, will require an additional appropriation of \$2,000.

Respectfully submitted,
JAMES H. DODGE,
City Auditor.

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Whereas, The Superintendent
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First, A sewer in Newbern
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Second. A sewer in Walk
from the end of the sewer in H
feet in a southerly direction.

Third. A sewer in Atlantic
and Clinton streets.

Fourth. A sewer in Thornd
avenue and Washington street.

Fifth. A sewer in Parnell
Sawyer streets, and in Sawye
about 60 feet in a southerly d

Sixth. A sewer in Magnolia
Bird streets, in Dorchester.

Seventh. A sewer in Morela
Dennis street and Blue Hill av
street about 180 feet west.

Eighth. A sewer in High s
Franklin and Sullivan streets.

Ninth. A sewer in H stre
Eighth and Ninth streets.

Tenth. A sewer in Ninth street (South Boston), between E and Dorchester streets.

Eleventh. A sewer in E street (South Boston), between Eighth and Ninth streets.

Twelfth. A sewer in Sixth street (South Boston), extending about 160 feet easterly from L street.

Thirteenth. A sewer in Waltham street, between Washington street and Harrison avenue.

Fourteenth. A sewer in Haskins street (Roxbury), between Ruggles and Vernon streets.

Fifteenth. A sewer in Linden Park street (Roxbury), between Elmwood street and Stony brook.

Sixteenth. A sewer in Ashmont street (Dorchester), extending about 112 feet easterly from Carruth street.

Seventeenth. A sewer, beginning at a point in Western avenue, Brighton, distant about 210 feet west of Everett street, and running thence through Western avenue to Everett street, through Everett to Raymond street, through Raymond street to Franklin street, and through Franklin street to Lincoln street.

And, *Whereas*, this Board doth adjudge each and every one of said sewers to be necessary for the public convenience and the public health, it is therefore Ordered, That said sewers be, and the same are hereby, laid out as common sewers, and the Superintendent of Sewers is hereby directed to report a schedule of the expense of construction of each of said sewers to this Board, pursuant to law.

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IN COMMON COUNCIL

Ordered, That His Honor the Mayor petition the Legislature at its next session of an Act to equalize the representation of the Council, substantially as proposed in the annexed.

AN ACT TO ESTABLISH MUNICIPAL VOTING DISTRICTS IN THE CITY OF BOSTON

SECTION 1. Within thirty days from the date of the passage of this Act the Board of Registrars of Voters of the City of Boston shall proceed to reassign the boundaries of the several wards of said city, so that each ward shall contain as nearly as possible its equal number of registered voters of said ward as recorded in the last election in said city in the year 1887.

Provided, that the boundaries of such wards, as far as possible, be the centre lines of known streets. All such precincts shall be numbered consecutively.

SECT. 2. The several wards shall be entitled to the number of precincts which the proportion of its registered voters would show, making, however, in all one hundred and eight precincts.

SECT. 3. As soon as the said Board of Registrars of Voters has completed the said location and assignment of such precincts it shall notify the City Clerk, and furnish him with a certified copy of its doings. He shall then forthwith convene a Board, to consist of so many of the ex-mayors of the city of Boston as shall consent to serve, and he shall act as secretary of such Board. All meetings of such Board shall be held in City Hall, and a majority of the number accepting office shall be a quorum for the transaction of business. They shall have access to all papers necessary for their work, and shall communicate their decisions by their secretary to either branch of the City Council.

SECT. 4. The said Board shall forthwith proceed to establish and designate Municipal Districts, each of which shall consist of three precincts, so as to form a district of compact and contiguous territory.

Each of said thirty-six Municipal Districts shall receive a continuous number, and shall be entitled to elect two members of the Common Council.

The said Board, after establishing the said Municipal Districts, shall proceed to establish *twelve* [eighteen] Aldermanic Districts, each of which shall consist of *three* [two] contiguous Municipal Districts; and each Aldermanic District shall elect one member of the Board of Aldermen.

SECT. 5. All necessary and reasonable expenses of said Board, incurred in the performance of its duty, shall be paid by the city of Boston, and the Board may include therein such compensation for its services as it deems proper. The City Council may vote a suitable compensation to the members of said Board, if they do not assess any amount themselves.

SECT. 6. Wherever the word "ward" or "wards" occurs in any statute relating to the election of the City Council, or either branch thereof, or of any officer of the city of Boston, or to the qualifications of the candidate, or of the voters at any municipal election in said city, the same shall be superseded by the term "municipal district" or "aldermanic district" as used in this act, according as such shall be appropriate to the object of such enactment.

SECT. 7. Whenever, at any election, the return of the votes in any precinct shall be found to be defective or illegal, from any fraud, error, or omission, the Board of Aldermen shall issue their warrant for a new election in such precinct,

within two weeks from the time when such return is declared by them to be defective or illegal. The votes received in such precinct at such supplementary election shall then be added to the votes already cast in the other precincts constituting the district, and the result declared as if all such voting had taken place at the same time.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Dec. 15, 1887.

Ordered to be printed.

Attest:

JOSEPH O'KANE,
Clerk of the Common Council.

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SECOND SEMI-ANNUAL RE

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DECEMBER, 1887.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN

The Special Committee of the Board pointed to visit the jail and other houses in Suffolk County, and to make the examinations required by law, having attended to their second semi-annual report : —

JAIL.

The committee visited this institution November 21.

The jail was found in excellent condition. The prisoners were comfortable, and those who had a pressing business were pressed with satisfaction with the care, food, and clothing received. One thing, however, in connection with the jail seems to your committee radically wrong. Many years are often committed here when the men should be in some institution for juvenile offenders ; but they are kept up in cells, when they should be attending to their own business, a chance for physical recreation, which is not afforded in an institution like the jail. Your committee

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MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

The committee visited the Home on Christmas Eve, just as the four hundred and two little ones had finished their evening meal, and were comparing notes with each other as to who had received the best present, which the kindness of the Directors had caused to be bestowed on them. It was certainly a warm commendation on the management of this Home, to see everywhere the happy faces of the children, nowhere a sign of discontent. Since the last visit the stand-pipe for fire purposes has been completed, so that in case of a fire the building can be flooded in a very few moments. The health of the inmates was good, and the Superintendent was happy to report that there had not been a case of sore eyes in the Home for four months.

In addition to their regular studies the girls are taught sewing and dressmaking, and most of the clothing worn by the girls is made by them, and all the stockings used in the institution are made by the children,—a very creditable showing, as the average age of the children is only about eleven years.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

The committee visited this institution December 26; the number of inmates was: males, 494; females, 79. Good order and cleanliness everywhere prevailed. A careful investigation was made by the committee of the outbreak which occurred here in November; and after talking with the prisoners concerned in it, as well as with the officers, they are satisfied the affair was grossly exaggerated, and was quickly controlled, and would not have occurred at all had the recommendations of your committee made six months ago, and repeatedly made by both the master of the House of Correction and the Board of Directors, been carried out, viz.: "The building of a female wing, so that the women could be placed in cells instead of in dormitories, as at present, which would also furnish a place to isolate refractory women, as at present there is no place to put them except in the hospital, where they disturb the sick with their noise and disturbance; another thing which should be remedied as speedily as possible is the present hospital, it being, in the opinion of your committee, entirely inadequate; another story should be added to the hospital-building, which

would enable the very sick to sleep in a dormitory instead of a close, confined cell as at present."

This recommendation your committee renew, and also recommend that the gratings outside the windows be made of wrought-iron instead of cast-iron as at present. The health of the inmates was generally good.

LUNATIC HOSPITAL.

For the first time for some years a good word can be said about the number of inmates at this institution. The committee visited the hospital on December 26, and were agreeably surprised at the change since their visit six months ago; then the building was crowded with 248 men and women; on the 26th inst. there were 160. A blessed change for the poor unfortunates, as well as the overtaxed officers and attendants. This relief has been brought about by the establishment of a branch asylum at Austin Farm, where many of the chronic cases have been sent. Since the last visit of the committee the sanitary improvements have been completed, so that, at the present time, the building is in first-class condition. The inmates are comfortable, and the food furnished excellent.

AUSTIN FARM.

The committee paid their first official visit to this institution December 24. This institution is an adjunct to the Lunatic Hospital at South Boston, where it is believed that chronic cases can be better cared for. These hopeless, harmless cases can, in this institution, be given greater freedom, more out-door exercise, and recreative employment, than could possibly be given them at South Boston, in addition to which they are not crowded, are but little further from their friends and relatives, and their condition is much happier. This is as it appears to your committee. The institution has not been occupied as an insane asylum long enough to judge thoroughly its beneficial results, but much has been done already, both in relieving South Boston Asylum from its crowded condition, and in giving accommodation to an additional number of Boston's afflicted.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY, HOUSE OF REFORMATION, AND TRUANT SCHOOL.

The committee visited Deer Island, Dec. 27, where these three institutions are located, and found them all in excellent condition. The committee wish to repeat what they said of

the House of Industry six months ago, that "the present building is not large enough for the number of people at present confined here, and in the near future means must be provided for enlarging the male wing of the prison."

The able-bodied men and women are employed at some kind of labor. The boys in both House of Reformation and Truant School are given practically the same hours as the children in the city, it being deemed they are punished sufficiently by being separated from their homes, without inflicting additional restrictions. The health of the inmates was good, and the food both good and plentiful.

The committee were well satisfied with their visit of inspection, and believe the institutions are in good condition and well managed.

According to a recent decision of the attorney-general some trouble may be expected in the employment of prisoners, both at the House of Correction and House of Industry; the inmates have been engaged in the manufacture of goods on what is known as the "piece-price plan," everywhere considered, both by labor advocates and prison reformers and managers, to be totally distinct from the contract system; but the attorney-general has ruled that, as at present conducted, this "piece-price plan" is a contract; and as such in violation of the law recently passed by the Legislature. If this decision be not modified either the city must see its prisoners remain idle, which no one would have the hardihood to recommend, or work must be done on the public account system; that is, the city buy material, manufacture goods, and sell them in open market.

In case this latter method is pursued, it will necessitate a much larger appropriation for both institutions than ordinarily asked for.

The only other suggestion the committee have to make is, that some change should be sought in the laws to prevent young boys from being committed to the House of Industry with old and hardened offenders; under the law they are constantly sent here, and your committee think some remedy should be applied for.

Appended are the reports of the various superintendents in charge of the institutions, giving the number of inmates at the time of the visit of your committee, and also the number of deaths, commitments, and discharges.

JOHN H. LEE,
CHARLES H. ALLEN,
JOHN H. SULLIVAN,

Inspectors of Prisons, etc.

APPENDIX.

SUFFOLK COUNTY JAIL.

BOSTON, Dec. 15, 1887.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for the County of Suffolk:—

GENTLEMEN, — At the date of your last inspection, June 30, 1887, the number of prisoners in custody was	153
(Males, 123; females, 30.)	
Number committed from June 30, 1887, to Dec. 15, 1887	1,666
(Males, 1,393; females, 273.)	
Total	1,819
Number discharged from June 30, 1887, to Dec. 15, 1887	1,659
(Males, 1,378; females, 281.)	
Number remaining in custody Dec. 15, 1887	160
(Males, 137; females, 23.)	
Number of persons committed for debt	20
“ “ debtors discharged	20
“ “ “ now in custody	0

There has been one death, John M. Goodwin, who died of delirium tremens, July 31, 1887.

JOHN B. O'BRIEN,

Sheriff-Keeper of the Jail in Suffolk County.

MARCELLA-STREET HOME.

BOSTON HIGHLANDS, Dec. 26, 1887.

To the Committee on Inspection of Prisons:—

GENTLEMEN, — The following is a report of the commitments and discharges since July 1, 1887:—

Number remaining July 1, 1887:—	
Neglected boys	70
Pauper boys	168
Neglected girls	42
Pauper girls	95
Total	375

Number admitted from July 1 to Dec. 24, 1887, 164.
 Number discharged from July 1 to Dec. 24, 1887, 137.
 Number remaining Dec. 24, 1887, 402.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. HEATH,
Superintendent.

HOUSE OF CORRECTION.

BOSTON, MASS., Dec. 26, 1887.

To the Inspectors of Prisons and Houses of Detention in the County of Suffolk:—

GENTLEMEN, — The committee visited the Institution, December 26, 1887.

The number of prisoners remaining June 30, 1887:—

Males, 410 ; females, 69 ; total	479
Committed from June 30, 1887, to Dec. 26, 1887:—	
Males, 588 ; females, 96 ; total	684
Discharged from June 30, 1887, to Dec. 26, 1887:—	
Males, 504 ; females, 86 ; total	590
Remaining Dec. 26, 1887:—	
Males, 494 ; females, 79 ; total	573
Discharged on expiration of sentence	488
Paid fine and costs	44
Released on probation by Directors	23
Discharged by order of Municipal Court	15
Transferred to Lunatic Hospital	8
Escaped	5
Pardoned by Governor	3
Furnished surety	2
Died	2

Health. — The inmates have enjoyed good health generally, and but two deaths to report.

Food. — A liberal allowance has been furnished to all, and of good quality.

Discipline. — Under this head I have to report that general good order has prevailed throughout the Institution.

Labor. — The manufacture of clothing is still carried on by all who are able to work, and are not required at other duties.

The average number during the past six months has been 488.

Very respectfully,

M. V. B. BERRY, *Master.*

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To the Committee on Prisons and H

GENTLEMEN, — There were preser
June 30, 1887 : —

Admitted . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Whole number treated . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Discharged . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Remaining Dec. 26, 1887 . . . . .	.	.	.	.

Of those discharged there were :

Recovered . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Much improved . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Unimproved . . . . .	.	.	.	.
Transferred
Died

The causes of death were as follow
paralysis, 3; heart failure, 2; ph
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*To the Committee on Inspection of
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GENTLEMEN, — The following i
patients in this institution : —

Admitted Nov. 28, 1887
Admitted Nov. 29, 1887 . . . . .	.	.	.
Admitted Dec. 5, 1887 . . . . .	.	.	.

Number in this institution De

All the above were transferred to this institution from the Boston Lunatic Hospital, most of the cases being classified as mild dementia.

I took charge here, by order of the Board of Directors for Public Institutions, on Oct. 6, 1887, superintending the alterations and repairs necessary for the reception of patients. Much has been accomplished, but very much more is needed to complete the equipment of this institution before it can be made the model retreat for the chronic insane the Board of Directors intend it to be. With the aid and sanction of the Board, who have thus far generously acceded to all my suggestions and recommendations tending to the comfort and convenience of the patients committed to my care, this, the most recently established of all, will soon take the front rank among similar institutions.

Very respectfully,

FRED. J. McNULTY,
Superintendent.

PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS, DEER ISLAND.

BOSTON HARBOR, Dec. 24, 1887.

To the Inspectors of Prisons for Suffolk County:—

GENTLEMEN,—Following is a report of commitments to, and discharges from, the House of Industry, House of Reformation, and Truant School, from June 30, 1887, to December 24, 1887, inclusive.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. WHITON,
Superintendent.

HOUSE OF INDUSTRY.

	Men.	Women.	Total.
Remaining June 30, 1887	695	225	920
Committed since	4,862	1,158	6,020
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Discharged since	5,557	1,883	6,940
	4,794	1,152	5,946
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Remaining Dec. 24, 1887	768	231	994

HOUSE OF REFORMATION.

	Boys.	Girls.	Total.
Remaining June 30, 1887	57	3	60
Committed since	49	1	50
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	106	4	110
Discharged since	80	1	81
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Remaining Dec. 24, 1887	76	3	79

TRUANT SCHOOL.

Remaining June 30, 1887	92
Committed since	82
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	124
Discharged since	59
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Remaining Dec. 24, 1887	65

CITY OF



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REPORT

ON

UNDERGROUND WIRES.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, Dec. 29, 1887.

The Joint Standing Committee on Underground Wires, who were authorized, by an order of the City Council passed July 8, 1887, to visit New York, Brooklyn, Philadelphia, and Washington, for the purpose of inspecting the underground systems in operation in those cities, respectfully submit the following

REPORT.

The committee visited the cities above mentioned, and were in each instance received with marked courtesy by the public officials and representatives of the various electric-wire companies. They were afforded every facility for inspecting the underground systems, in use or projected, in the different cities, and obtained much valuable information upon the subject. It is the purpose of the committee to briefly detail the experience of the cities visited, beginning with an account of the progress made in our own city toward securing a successful system, and afterward to state the conclusions arrived at as the result of their investigation of the subject.

BOSTON.

The subject of laying electric wires underground came prominently before the City Council in 1886, at the time the

petitions of the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, and the Edison Electric Light Company, were presented, asking for leave to lay their wires underground in some of the principal business streets of the city. The Committee on Underground Wires gave two hearings to the parties petitioning, and there were present at the hearings some of the most expert electricians in Boston, representing the different telegraph, telephone, and electric-light companies. Much valuable information was obtained at these hearings, although, as might be expected, there was considerable divergence of opinion among the electricians. While some of those present were of the opinion that both telephone and incandescent electric-light wires could be successfully operated underground, there were others who held an opposite view, and this was more particularly the case among the representatives of the telegraph companies. It was generally agreed, however, that the arc-light wires could not be successfully or safely operated underground, owing to the intensity of their electric current, and the attendant dangers to life and property that would arise in case of imperfect insulation. It was also claimed that the great intensity of the arc-light wires would seriously disturb the working of the telegraph or telephone wires that might be laid in their vicinity. Notwithstanding this diversity of views, the Board of Aldermen granted the desired permits, and under the authority thus obtained, the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company and the Edison Electric Light Company have already laid during the past year many miles of underground conduits, in which to place their wires. The former company have now 600 or 700 miles of wire laid underground, in cables containing fifty or one hundred wires, the cables being constructed like the ordinary overhead cables, and each wire being separately insulated. These cables are laid in wooden conduits or boxes, about two feet square, made of creosoted planks, and laid in lengths of about twenty feet; these boxes are subdivided into twelve or sixteen ducts, according to the size of the boxes, and each one of these ducts carries a cable. The junctions of the boxes are insulated and made waterproof by an application of hot tar, with which all the spaces are filled. The conduit is then covered with tarred paper and an outside casing of creosoted planks. Man-holes are constructed at distances of 200 feet, or nearer if necessary, and from one to the other of these the cables can be drawn through the conduits, a pilot or drawing line being generally left in each duct. Distribution is made by means of lead cables connecting with the conduits. It is the intention of the telephone company to place all of its

wires underground as soon as possible, in the business portion of the city.

The underground system that is made use of by the Edison Electric Light Company was specially devised by Mr. Thomas A. Edison, and, it is understood, cannot be made available for other companies. The wires are of copper, wound separately with cord, and encased in an iron pipe, into which hot bitumen is poured, filling all the interstices, and forming, when cooled, a perfect insulating compound. At short distances, where it is necessary to tap the system for service to one side or the other, there are arranged junction boxes, as they are called, in shape somewhat like a three-way valve. The ends of the two large copper wires in each iron pipe are joined by means of twisted wire applied in such manner as not to impair their flexibility. The main wires can be tapped in the junction boxes, and service wires can be taken to one side or another through the openings in the box. The chief difficulty encountered at the junction boxes is in regard to insulation, from the fact that, as the insulating compound must be applied hot, and as it sometimes cools too suddenly, or before the spaces are completely filled, the insulation is imperfect. This difficulty has been remedied, however, to a great extent, by recent inventions of Mr. Edison, and the system is now claimed to work almost perfectly. Some fifteen miles of the iron pipes or conduits of the Edison Company have already been laid in the streets of our city. In addition to these underground systems above mentioned, there is a short distance of wire underground which was laid by the Western Union Telegraph Company, from their office in State street to Haymarket square; but this, it is understood, has not worked satisfactorily, and is not now made use of.

NEW YORK.

In New York, in the year 1885, a commission was established by Act of the Legislature to examine into the whole question of placing the electric-wire system in use in that city underground, and to determine as to the most desirable method to be adopted. The commission is called the Board of Commissioners of Electrical Sub-ways, and now consists of Messrs. Jacob Hess, Theodore Moss, and Daniel L. Gibbens. This commission has investigated the subject very extensively, and has had an opportunity of testing the latest and most improved methods in use regarding underground systems. After examining the different forms of conduits, and considering the numerous plans proposed, the conclusion ar-

rived at by the commission, in a general way, was that the problem of removing electrical conductors from above the surface of the street and operating them underground, was one of a mechanical rather than an electrical nature, and that the numerous objections that have been urged from a scientific stand-point against the underground system had at last practically resolved themselves into the one question, as to the best method of obtaining the requisite insulation necessary for successfully operating the system. The mechanical part of the subject involves the questions of economy and convenience in locating and maintaining the electrical conductors underground, and constitute in reality the questions most difficult of solution.

The following statement regarding the underground conduits now in use, and in process of construction, in New York city was furnished to the committee by Mr. Daniel L. Gibbens, of the Sub-way Commission:—

The material to be used in the construction of conduits was to be considered only as to its strength and durability as a protector for electric cables. The practicability of operating electrical conductors underground is now settled. The commission were at work constructing conduits, and the result of their work demonstrated that it was only a question of a few years when all electric wires in the city of New York would be operated underground. The result of their experience is, that electric wires can be operated as cheaply and successfully underground as overhead. The conduit in Sixth avenue, New York, is completed for a distance of two miles, and consists of twenty-four ducts, and cost \$60,000 a mile. This is a drawing-in system, with frequent man-holes, so that the wires are easily reached at frequent intervals, being best adapted to meet the requirements of the present electrical service. The commission recommended a conduit constructed of asphalt or bituminous concrete, capable of sustaining the following tests:—

"*Strength.*—It should sustain a crushing test of 4,000 pounds per square inch, and have a tensile strength of not less than 300 pounds per square inch of section.

"*Resistance to Heat and Cold.*—It should not crack when subjected to temperature of 10° below zero, nor lose its shape at 200°. It should not soften below 160°.

"*Other Physical Properties.*—It should resist the action of organic acids and illuminating gas, and should not disintegrate under the action of salt water.

"*Materials.*—The pitch or asphalt used should be inspected before it enters into the concrete, and be pliable at 150°, but brittle below that temperature. It should not be heated

above 325° in boiling. The sand used should be silicious, and the porosity of each lot carefully determined, to insure the perfect cohesion of the mass, with no excess of plastic material."

Your committee may state here that, from their observations, the underground system is fairly under way in New York city.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Edward H. Johnson, President of the Edison United Manufacturing Company of New York,¹ the committee were afforded an opportunity of inspecting the system made use of by the company, and were furnished the following account of its invention by Mr. Edison, and the main characteristics of its construction:—

Mr. Thomas A. Edison started in 1880 to produce electric lights for all purposes. He followed the system used by gas companies, and improved the system as far as electricity afforded him an opportunity. He did not believe in placing cables in conduits, as no insulation will stand the deteriorating effect of moisture and dryness which are inevitable in a conduit unless the conduit is filled solid to the exclusion of said properties. Edison has given up conduits, and carries electricity through tubes filled solid between the wires, and has now devised a complete insulating material impervious to air and moisture.

The theory of the Edison cable is practically established, and its efficiency depends on the care of the workmen in manufacturing the cable, and making the connections in laying them underground. The Edison Company are putting down 100 miles of the Edison cable in New York city now, and the only difficulty they find is in making connections without absorbing moisture, and the work has, consequently, to be done with the greatest care. Flexible couplings are used every twenty feet, in order to provide for expansion and contraction. Mr. Edison is now devising some material to be used in making connections in the streets, that will be effective without having to be subjected to so much heat, and promises to give it to us shortly. No variation of temperature can affect the Edison system. They have thirty miles laid in Milan, Italy, and some in use in London and Berlin. If a leak takes place, there is a system of detection by which it can be located within one length, or twenty feet. The cost per mile, \$5,000. It is impracticable for the tube to take other wires.

¹ Office, 65 Fifth avenue, New York.

BROOKLYN.

In Brooklyn the committee met His Honor Daniel D. Whitney, Mayor of the city, who, upon being questioned on the subject, stated that he was in favor of placing all electrical wires underground. In that city, as in New York, an Electrical Sub-way Commission has been established, to investigate the subject, and determine, if possible, as to the best methods to be made use of for conducting wires underground. The President of the Commission, Prof. George W. Plympton, has visited the principal cities of this country and Europe, and submitted a report last year, giving an account of the progress made both in this country and in Europe towards establishing underground systems. As this report furnishes the latest information concerning the underground systems in foreign cities, it is presented herewith as a matter of interest to our citizens, although it may not be found of any special value, owing to the fact that the electric service in foreign cities, from the meagreness of its extent, offers no comparison to that of the leading cities of our own country.

**SPECIAL REPORT MADE TO THE BOARD BY PROF. PLYMPTON, ITS
PRESIDENT, AS TO TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH SYSTEMS IN
EUROPEAN CITIES.**

At a meeting of our Board held in July last, it was deemed desirable that a personal examination by some member of this Board should be made of the Telegraph and Telephone systems of European cities.

In accordance with the terms of a resolution passed on the 8th day of July, I left New York for Liverpool on the 21st of that month, arriving in Liverpool on the morning of the 29th, and reaching London on the evening of the same day.

Some letters of introduction to Mr. Preece, the electrician of the British Postal Telegraph Service, secured for me the cordial and polite attention of the chief himself, and the very efficient aid of the officials in charge of special departments of the service. No extensions or repairs of the lines were in progress at the date of my call, but I was invited to examine the construction of the conduit pipes and the cables they contain so far as they were accessible at the "working-boxes," or man-holes, as they would be called in America. Accompanied by Mr. Fleetwood, an electrician of the Postal Service, I examined several of these "boxes," which had been opened by his order for the purpose.

The covers are fitted very tight, and are flush with the pavement of the sidewalk. In two instances the workmen failed in their attempts to pry them off. The "boxes" are shallow, scarcely two feet deep, and only 16 by 24 inches in lateral dimensions. The conduit pipes are of cast-iron, and mostly of three inches in diameter. Into these pipes the insulated wires in a loose bundle are drawn — gutta-percha is the only insulating material used. The wires are for telegraphic service almost exclusively; only a few telephone wires, and these for the use of the Post-Office, are under the pavements. Telephonic communication in London is furnished by the system of the United Telephone Company.

whose wires are all supported overhead by house-top fixtures. The right to erect the fixtures is purchased of the owner of the property.

Experience with underground telegraph lines is not new in England. Before 1845 such lines were placed underground, but they soon failed, and pole lines were substituted. Again, in 1853, the Magnetic Company of England laid wires for telegraphic purposes in creosoted wood, buried two feet in the earth. The insulation gradually failed, and again the system was replaced by one on poles.

A section of the conduit used at this time was shown to me by Mr. Preece. It was a trough-shaped block about four inches wide, and perfectly sound, although it had lain buried at shallow depth more than thirty years. Iron pipes are now preferred solely, because of the protection they afford against the blows of pick-axes and shovels of careless workmen, — a protection which seemingly might have been secured by a heavier conduit of timber. Mr. Preece said he knew of no case of decay of well creosoted timber.

From London I went direct to Brussels, where I arrived on the 2d of August. To Messrs. James F. Meech and George Cutter, both of the International Electric Company, I am indebted for much valuable aid in getting desired information. These gentlemen are engaged in superintending the erection of the Thomson-Houston system of arc-lighting. Their operations during the present year have extended as far east as Russia, north to Sweden and Scotland, and south to Italy.

The acting superintendent of the telephone service in Brussels is Mr. E. Bartelyou, who kindly gave me the details of the system. The wire used is a phosphor-bronze wire of $1\frac{1}{2}$ millimeter diameter (or about No. 17 gauge). Its strength admits of long distances between the supports, which are all on the house-tops (no wires of any kind are underground in Brussels). In a few places there was a clear space of 270 meters, or 885 feet, between the supports. No stretching nor breaking had occurred in these long stretches, although the wires had been in place for three years.

The managing director of this company is Mr. DeGroot, whose principal office is in Antwerp. As I had brought letters of introduction from personal friends of Mr. DeGroot in New York, and as the franchises of his company include the telephone systems of Brussels, Antwerp, Stockholm, Milan, and Turin, I went on to Antwerp without delay. All my inquiries regarding electric systems in the above cities were kindly answered. All wires of all kinds, in the above-mentioned cities, whether for telegraph, telephone, or electric lighting, are above ground. In the northern cities they are on the house-tops, and in Italy partly on the house-tops and partly upon brackets along the sides of the buildings. Two exceptions to this general rule were mentioned. One was a short circuit for electric lighting on the Edison (Incandescent) system buried in Turin, and the other was a new line of telephone wires supported on poles, in one of the streets of Antwerp.

Rights to erect fixtures on house-tops are purchased as in England. The price in Belgian cities is about 50 centimes (10 cents) per wire per annum. The more recent supports for wires are of wrought-iron, and are of somewhat ornamental design. The overhead wires are thickly clustered in some portions of Antwerp and Brussels, but, being of smaller diameter, are not so unsightly as the same number would appear in American cities.

I went on into Germany on the 6th of August, making brief stops at Cologne, Wiesbaden, Frankfort, and Heidelberg. Telephones are not much used in these cities; only 500 in Cologne, 464 in Wiesbaden, 430 in Frankfort, and less than 100 in Heidelberg. All the wires for these systems are supported overhead, on house-top fixtures of rather rude patterns. The military telegraph is underground; all others are in the air. In Germany, as in England, the buried systems were tried early.

The first ones failed at once. Upon the discovery of the insulating qualities of gutta-percha by Dr. Werner Siemens, in 1846, new experiments were tried with underground systems. A line of four or five miles in length was laid between Berlin and Gros Beeren, in 1847. As this appeared to be successful, the experiments were continued until more than 3,000 miles of gutta-percha covered wire had been buried in the ground. This worked well for a few years, but finally failed entirely, and a line on poles was substituted for it.

The telegraph wires now buried in Germany are in bundles forming cables, known as the Siemens' cable, each wire being separately insulated, and the whole protected by a spirally wound heavy wire, which shields the conductors from ordinary injuries. It is an expensive cable, and is better adapted for the military service, for which it is chiefly employed, than for the wants of a commercial community. That its use is thus restricted in Germany is pretty well indicated by the fact that wires on poles stretch along every mile of railway throughout the Empire.

I arrived in Berlin on the 9th of August. As telegraph, telephone, and two kinds of electric-lighting systems are used in the city, I sought information at several points. The telephone used here is a German invention, differing somewhat from the familiar Bell pattern, and declared to be unsatisfactory by those who were accustomed to use the latter.

Both the telegraph and telephone systems belong to the government. The telephone wires are carried on house-tops upon light iron fixtures, much like those in Belgium. The house-owner is paid an assessed compensation for the occupation of his premises, but he is obliged to submit to it.

An Electric Lighting Company have buried cables along several streets of the city. The engineer of the company gave me the following list of rules imposed by the Imperial Government upon their work in the streets:—

"The electric-light cable must be enclosed in an iron pipe, whenever it is buried within one meter of, and parallel to, a telegraph cable."

"In case of the crossing of the two systems, the electric-light cable must be at least 45 centimeters (17.7 inches) distant and above the telegraph, and moreover must be covered with an iron pipe for at least two meters each way, from the point of nearest approach."

"Whenever an electric-light conductor is laid in a street where there is no buried telegraph, such conductor is to be placed under the sidewalk, but at least two meters from the house-line."

I visited the Siemens' establishment, but was unable to meet Dr. Siemens, to whom I had a note of introduction. He was out of town. The manager of the works in the city kindly offered to answer my inquiries, and to act as interpreter in an interview with their engineer. In course of the conversations, on two separate occasions, I was told that although they knew of the questions arising in America regarding safe limit of proximity of wires for different kinds of electric service, they were not prepared to express an opinion on the subject. They knew of no experiments with the quadruple telegraph, and the high-tension alternating currents for arc-lights were not regarded with much favor, and were not in use in Berlin.

It was understood that the government telegraph officers had been trying some experiments bearing upon the solution of these questions, but with what result was not known.

From Berlin I went south, arriving at Munich on the 13th of August. An official at the telegraph station connected with the post-office, informed me that all the lines were on house-tops. The number of telephone subscribers was 730. The Morse system of telegraphy was used, and the German telephone.

In Lucerne, my next resting-place, the telephone is but sparingly used. Wires are upon light fixtures on house-tops.

In Milan, where I arrived late on the 16th of August, I was fortunate in meeting Mr. Strugnelli, an electrician of the International Electrical Lighting Company, who at once interested himself in the object of my visit, and rendered important service. Milan has about 800 telephone subscribers. All the wires are above ground, a large proportion of them being under the eaves, attached to bracket fixtures. The reason for this departure from the common European practice is found in the triple system of tiling on the roofs.

The Edison, the Siemens, and the Thomson-Houston systems of electric lighting are all in use, with overhead wires only, and seem likely to extend rapidly. Some complaints had just been made against the Thomson-Houston system, on account of induction effects due to its high-tension current.

An effective system of street lighting is in practice here. Arc-lights of good intensity are suspended over the middle of the street from high brackets attached to the buildings on both sides.

I visited Venice and Turin, but found no features essentially different from those of Milan. The systems of all kinds were only of less extent.

I reached Paris on the 21st of August. Having letters to M. Berthon, the well-known electrician and inventor, I went directly to the offices of the telephone company in Rue Caumartin. I was cordially received, and invited to ask as many questions as I liked. In response to my inquiries M. Berthon gave me in substance the following information:—

There were in Paris, at that date, about 4,400 telephone subscribers, and about 2,200 in all the rest of France. In Paris, telephone wires are made up into small cables, and conducted through the sewers, being held in place by small hooks, the shanks of which are driven into the masonry joints. If the sewer ends before the destination of the telephone cable is reached, the cable is immediately run up to the house-top and conveyed overhead, as in other European cities. In other French cities the wires are all above ground, except in Bordeaux, where 400 subscribers are served through a system drawn through iron pipes underground; but at the date of my visit the system was not working very well. Two hundred of the Paris subscribers are reached by wires above the houses, because there are no large sewers in which to suspend the wires.

No electric-lighting wires are permitted in the sewers. Indeed there are but few electric street lights in Paris. There are less than there were five years ago, and what there are are all overhead.

In both London and Paris all arc-lights are within short distances of the current generator, which is generally a dynamo driven by a gas-engine.

M. Berthon expected his company would undertake the telephone service for the principal cities of Spain. He proposed to exact, as a condition, the right to carry the conductors upon the house-tops, employing a metallic telephone circuit, and cables of a small number of wires in each.

In traversing the sewer under the Avenue d'Opera I found two groups of telephone conductors, of twelve cables in each group, fastened securely to the arched top of the sewer, while brackets on the sides supported a pipe carrying telegraph cables, a gas-pipe of six inches and a water-pipe of sixteen inches diameter. When the telegraph cables reach the end of a sewer they are continued underground in three-inch iron pipes.

Leaving Paris on the 25th of August, and spending two days in London to make some further observations upon lines in the suburbs, I continued on to Newcastle. This city enjoys the reputation of having buried

almost its entire system of telegraph and telephone wires. The telephone service is not very extensive, as the number of subscribers is not quite 600, and is increasing but slowly, — some 25 to 30 between January and August. Nearly all the subscribers, moreover, are within a circuit of a half-mile radius.

Through the kindness of Mr. Heavyside, I was permitted to examine, in company with an inspector, the central office, and the entire system of distribution.

The arrangement of conduits and street "boxes" (corresponding to our man-holes) is much like that in London. The boxes are 10 inches by 26; the pipes entering at the narrow ends. Pipes of 2, 3, and 4 inches diameter are employed. When the number of wires in any pipe is to be increased, the entire contents of the pipe are drawn out and the new lot drawn in. The wire used is No. 18 copper wire, with a wound covering, whose outside dimensions are those of No. 7 gauge.

The wires are bound together in sets of four, the pair which forms the circuit being twisted together with much care, to avoid induction from the neighboring pair.

As prominent electricians have expressed the opinion that when a metallic telephone circuit is employed the limit of distance of telephone communication underground is about 10 or 12 miles, I was quite desirous of testing the question. The privilege was cheerfully granted; a line was connected for my use that extended through 12½ miles of underground wire, and continued thence over a pole line of 38 miles further, — an entire length of 50½ miles. The result was satisfactory in every way. During a conversation of several minutes there was no call for a repetition of a word.

The telephone service of Newcastle is certainly good, but to enlarge it to meet the requirements of an American city would demand extensive modifications; not only the greater extent, but the frequent changes of our telephone service, would completely transform the problem.

Time did not permit a stop at Manchester. I had learned that some preliminary steps had been taken to bury wires in that city, but it was evident, from such inspection as I was able to make, that the aerial system is still quite extensive. There has been as yet, I believe, no burial of wires in Liverpool.

My journey in Europe, of 34 days' duration and 4,000 miles in extent, ended on the 1st of September, at Liverpool.

As a summary of the observations made during this short tour, the following are offered as conclusions fairly drawn from the information obtained: —

The problem of construction of a telephone system on such a scale as exists in American cities, with underground wires, has not yet been solved abroad. In Europe no attempt has been made to solve it, because as yet there is no such general use of the telephone. The number of telephones in the United Kingdom of Great Britain, reported on January last, was 13,000, while in the United States at the same date there were 163,500. There are more telephones in use in New York City and Brooklyn than in all Great Britain, more in New York City alone than in all France.

For the accomplishment of the ultimate object of converting our overhead electric systems of all kinds to underground systems, without impairing the efficiency of their service, without permanent injury to our streets, and without increasing the cost of the service so as to prevent the use of the same, we must depend upon the experience gained and experiments made on our own side of the Atlantic.

Respectfully submitted, etc.

PHILADELPHIA.

In Philadelphia the committee had an opportunity of observing electrical conductors in practical operation underground. Underneath the City Hall a sub-way has been constructed large enough for a man to walk through; this sub-way is built of brick and cement, and is similar in shape to a large sewer. It is completed for a distance of 900 feet from the City Hall. The cables are placed side by side on shelves arranged on either side of the sub-way. Mr. Walker, who has charge of the electric system in that city, informed the committee that he has experienced no difficulty in operating the electrical conductors, and that there were telephone, telegraph, and electric-light wires successfully operated in the same conduit. He further stated that it was immaterial what kind of wires were placed in the sub-way, as they all worked equally well. Anti-induction cables are used, and the city has already expended the sum of \$20,000 in perfecting their underground system. The underground telephone wires had thus far worked admirably, and the same was also true of the electric-light wires, of which there are $4\frac{1}{2}$ miles underground, running 56 lights. It is the intention in Philadelphia to place all the city wires underground, and the city is to furnish its own electric lights. Although explosions have occasionally occurred in the conduit of private corporations, nothing of the kind has thus far taken place in those constructed by the city. The largest private corporation in Philadelphia is the Penn Electric Company. For their conduits they have made use of creosoted wood, and in place of ducts have provided hangers on which to place the cables. This system is made use of in sections of the city where sub-ways would be too expensive, and is found to be excellent in many respects.

WASHINGTON.

In this city, as in the other cities visited, the underground-wire question is receiving much attention; and so well satisfied is the Superintendent of Telegraph and Telephone Wires of the practicability of the underground system, that in his last report he recommended the placing of all the fire-alarm and telephone wires of the District of Columbia underground. The expert electricians in Washington agree with those of New York and Philadelphia, that the best and safest method is the construction of sub-ways to conduct wires underground.

It is not necessary for the committee at this time to detail the arguments in favor of the underground-wire system, for

the reason that, in the minds of the majority of the citizens, the question is no longer one of advisability, but has passed that stage, and is now more particularly a question as to the best methods to be adopted for an underground system. The fact is now admitted in all the large American cities that the wires must ultimately be placed underground. The principal obstacles to the system have been done away with, and the main objection of the companies has practically reduced itself now to one of expense only. The cost of establishing the present overhead-wire system has been excessive, and this expense will be practically a loss to the companies when the system is abandoned and the wires are placed underground. While it is also true that the first cost of placing the wires underground will be large, the cost of repairs and maintenance will, according to the testimony of experts, be much less than is required in the present overhead system.

As the result of their investigations your committee are of the opinion that all surface wires should be removed and operated underground, and judging from what has been seen in New York and Philadelphia, and the information obtained in Brooklyn and Washington, electric wires can be worked successfully in underground conduits, the only question being as to the kind of system to adopt. Undoubtedly the brick sub-way seen in Philadelphia is a complete success, and will commend itself immediately to the most superficial observer; but, owing to the conditions of our streets, we believe that the system is not so well adapted to this city as that in use in New York.

Your committee believe it would be unwise to compel the electric-wire companies operating in Boston to place their wires underground in separate conduits, and that the city must either construct a sub-way for the reception of all electrical conductors, or contract with some conduit company to construct underground conduits of sufficient capacity to receive all surface wires in operation.

Respectfully submitted,

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CITY OF



BOSTON.

REPORT

OF THE

COMMITTEE ON CONTINGENT EXPENSES
(JOINT).

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Dec. 31, 1887.

The Joint Standing Committee on Contingent Expenses respectfully submit the following report of bills for expenses incurred by Joint Committees for the months of July, August, September, October, and November, of the present year, namely:—

BECKMAN & PUNGHARD.

Committee.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Total.
City Clerk's Department	\$2 00	\$2 00	\$2 00			\$6 00
Common	2 00		4 00	\$3 00	\$2 85	11 85
Claims	15 00		1 00	111 70		127 70
Finance	20 00	10 90		6 60		37 50
Improved Sewerage	2 00					2 00
Athletics, July 4	7 00					7 00
Balloon, July 4	3 00					3 00
Bicycle Races, July 4	9 00			51 45		60 45
Fireworks, July 4	4 95					4 95
Hurling, July 4	1 00			46 35		47 35
Lacrosse, July 4	2 00			55 25		57 25
Sub-Badges, July 4	1 00					1 00
Rowing Regatta, July 4	8 00					8 00
Swimming Match, July 4	7 00					7 00
Kearsage Burial-Ground	2 00					2 00
Lauten Investigation	10 00					10 00
Ordinances	5 60			7 00		12 50
Public Buildings	10 00	8 00		14 90		32 90
Printing	4 00		4 00	91 95		99 95
Schools and Schoolhouses	2 00					2 00
Streets	3 00			9 00		12 00
Underground Wires	14 00	6 00				20 00
Undertakers' Union	3 00					3 00
Visit to Philadelphia	5 00			6 00		11 00
Water	5 00			10 00		15 00
East Boston Ferries		11 00		3 00		14 00
Inspection of Buildings		6 85	23 95	16 00		46 80
Music, July 4		1 90				1 90
Public Parks		3 00		7 00		10 00

Amounts carried forward, \$147 45 \$49 65 \$34 95 \$439 29 \$2 85 \$674 10

<i>Committee.</i>	<i>July.</i>	<i>Aug.</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Oct.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$147 45	\$49 65	\$34 95	\$439 20	\$2 85	\$674 10
Public Lands		2 00		3 00		5 00
Police		2 00	1 95			3 95
Sewer Department		6 95				6 95
Bridges			10 00	10 75		20 75
Contingent Expenses			6 00	6 00		12 00
Sale of Reservoir Lot			1 90	3 00		4 90
Collector's Department				1 00		1 00
Engineer's Department				3 00		3 00
Fire Department				4 00		4 00
Maguire Investigation				3 00		3 00
Markets				5 00		5 00
Stony Brook				5 00		6 00
Treasurer's Department				1 00		1 00
Joint Rules					1 00	1 00
	\$147 45	\$60 60	\$54 80	\$484 95	\$3 85	\$751 63

BOSTON CAB COMPANY.

<i>Committee.</i>					
July 4th	\$16 00				\$16 00
Hurling Match, July 4	8 00				8 00
Music, July 4	15 00				15 00
Claims	21 00	\$2 00		\$10 00	33 00
Cemeteries	14 00				14 00
Finance	20 50				20 50
Inspection of Buildings	17 00	9 50	\$10 00	6 00	42 50
Lauten Investigation	26 50				26 50
Streets	6 50			13 00	19 50
Schools and Schoolhouses	10 00				10 00
Water	2 50				2 50
Contingent Expenses	10 00				10 00
Bridges		6 00			6 00
Parks		8 00	12 00		20 00
Printing		36 00			36 00
Common			6 00		6 00
Underground Wires			10 00		10 00
Visit to Philadelphia				1 50	1 50
	\$167 00	\$61 50	\$38 00	\$30 50	\$297 00

G. W. CALEF.

<i>Committee.</i>					
Inspection of buildings		\$4 00		\$8 00	\$12 00
Parks			\$8 00		8 00
Philadelphia visit			23 00		23 00
Police				4 00	4 00
Schools and Schoolhouses				6 00	6 00
Streets				12 00	12 00
Water				3 00	3 00
		\$4 00	\$31 00	\$33 00	\$68 00

WILLIAM F. MURRAY.

Lauten Investigation	\$391 00				\$391 00
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W. O. ROBSON.

Kearsage Burial-Ground	93 00				93 00
Assessors' Department				\$63 12	63 12
Rhodes Claim				29 25	29 25
Maguire Investigation				45 85	45 85

JOHN READE.

<i>Committee.</i>		
July 4	15 00	15 00
June 17	15 00	15 00
Finance	10 00	10 00
Improved Sewerage	20 00	20 00
Streets	10 00	10 00

Amounts carried forward, \$554 00

\$138 22 \$692 22

CONTINGENT EXPENSES (JOINT).

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<i>Committee.</i>	<i>July.</i>	<i>Aug.</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Oct.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
<i>Amounts brought forward,</i>	\$554 00				\$138 22	\$692 22
DEE BROTHERS.						
Funeral ex-Mayor Palmer	50 00					50 00
J. E. MAYNARD.						
Hurling Match, 4th July	10 00					10 00
Fourth of July	12 00					12 00
A. R. LYMAN.						
<i>Committee.</i>						
Children's Entertainment, July 4	10 00					10 00
Sailing Regatta "	10 00					10 00
Claims	7 00					7 00
Streets	10 00			\$10 00		20 00
Architect's Department				10 00		10 00
WM. H. WOODS.						
Athletics, July 4	12 00					12 00
Schools and Schoolhouses	7 00			18 00	16 00	41 00
Bridges		\$8 00	\$7 00			15 00
Inspection of Buildings					6 00	6 00
HENRY W. BECKWITH & Co.						
Balloon, July 4	12 00					12 00
JOHN ELMS.						
Children's Entertainment, July 4.	\$12 00					12 00
MUTUAL DISTRICT MESSENGER CO.						
Clerk of Committees	11 65	21 00			20 82	53 47
WM. S. & GEO. OTIS WILEY.						
Lauten Investigation	10 00					10 00
Streets					10 00	10 00
JOHN WELCH.						
July 4	10 00					10 00
THOMAS H. ROBERTS.						
Schools and Schoolhouses	10 00					10 00
JOHN McNULTY.						
Inspection of Buildings	8 00					8 00
WM. A. HAYNES.						
Claims	8 00					8 00
Printing		6 00				6 00
JAMES L. HILLARD						
	7 05					7 05
SAMPSON, MURDOCK, & Co.						
Clerk of Committees	5 50					5 50
WYCKOFF, SEAMAN, & BENEDECT.						
Clerk of Committees	2 80					2 80
BOSTON DISTRICT TELEGRAPH CO.						
Clerk of Committees	1 80					1 80
HENRY G. GRAHAM.						
Printing		10 00				10 00
Underground Wires		8 00				8 00
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$780 80	\$53 00	\$7 00	\$38 00	\$191 04	\$1,069 84

<i>Committee.</i>	<i>July.</i>	<i>Aug.</i>	<i>Sept.</i>	<i>Oct.</i>	<i>Nov.</i>	<i>Total.</i>
<i>Amounts carried forward,</i>	\$780 80	\$53 00	\$7 00	\$38 00	\$191 04	\$1,069 84
Alderman P. J. DONOVAN.						
Visit to Philadelphia Centennial Celebration, Adoption Constitu- tion of U.S.			3,000 00			3,000 00
C. J. MAHONEY.						
Inspection of Buildings . . .			5 00			5 00
J. TYLER HICKS & Co.						
June 17				85 00		85 00
JOHN P. BARNARD & Co.						
Parks				15 00		15 00
FOSTER & LORD.						
Inspection of Buildings . . .				16 50		16 50
P. CLARK & SONS.						
Finance				10 00		10 00
F. E. GOODRICH.						
Compiling Statutes				100 00		100 00
CHARLES CURTIS.						
Engineer's Department . . .					70 50	70 50
HARVEY BLUNT.						
Boston Harbor					65 00	65 00
JAMES CORBETT.						
Markets					6 00	6 00
GEORGE S. DREW.						
Maguire Investigation					2 59	2 59
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CITY OF



BOSTON.

CLOSING PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

COMMON COUNCIL OF 1887,

WITH THE

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT BARRY.

IN COMMON COUNCIL, December 29, 1887.

The business of the Council having been transacted, Mr. Fottler presented the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the thanks of the Common Council be and are hereby tendered to David F. Barry, Esq., for the faithful, courteous, and able manner in which he has discharged his duties as President of this body during the year 1887.

Said resolution was read by the Clerk.

Remarks complimentary to the President were made by Messrs. Lauten, Fottler, Blume, Wilson, Whall, Short, and Whitmore. The resolution was read a second time and passed unanimously, the question being put by the clerk and the members rising in their places when voting thereon.

To this resolution of thanks, the President replied as follows:—

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT BARRY.

Gentlemen of the Common Council:—

To have presided over your deliberations in such a manner as to meet with the approval expressed by the resolution which you have just passed, is to me the source of much gratification, and will greatly enhance the remembrance of my pleasant association with the Common Council of 1887.

When you elected me as your president I entered upon the performance of my duties with no small amount of distrust of my ability to perform them; but I relied on your forbearance and friendliness, and my confidence in you was not misplaced.

Whatever success has attended my efforts to serve you has been owing in no small degree to your acquiescence in the rulings of the Chair and your respect for the dignity of the municipal body of which you are the members.

I have the consolation of knowing that I have endeavored to deal justly towards each and every member of this Council, both in recognizing them in debate and appointing them on committees,—and this without regard to improper political considerations.

To appoint committees in such a way as to give general satisfaction is one of the most difficult duties the president is called upon to perform, and if on any occasion any member felt that an injustice was done him in this respect, I would now take occasion to assure him that no injustice was intended.

There are but few of the many committees appointed that are considered desirable, and in appointing these, the president is obliged frequently to disregard entirely personal considerations and inclinations.

We should be grateful to an All-kind Providence that our circle has been unbroken by the hand of Death, and it is pleasing to us to know that, with the exception of the two changes made early in the year on account of controverted elections, our membership is as it was on the day of our organization.

I regret that so many of our number will retire to-night from the City Government, and this not only on account of my personal friendship for them, but also because I know that in losing them the city loses the services of gentlemen devoted to her interests and faithful to the trusts imposed upon them.

I congratulate the two members of our body who, by the votes of their fellow-citizens, have been elected to seats in the upper branch. They will find that their experience gained in this chamber will be invaluable to them in their new sphere.

In accordance with the custom of my predecessors, I desire to acknowledge my indebtedness to the officers of the Council and the members of the press, for the courteous treatment I have invariably received at their hands. It would take up too much of your time for me to attempt to give you even a brief account of the legislation which you have accomplished during your term of office; and, in fact, it would be entirely unnecessary for me to do so, as the result of this legislation will be ably set forth in the coming inaugural address of the Mayor and the annual reports of the various departments.

Suffice it to say, that no question of importance has been passed upon in a hurried manner, nor without such debate as it might seem to require.

It is a standard argument in favor of the Common Council that it is always sure to have among its members gentlemen of education, experience, and ability, who are ever willing to give their fellow-members the benefit of their advice and recommendations, and such advice and

recommendations are always potent for the interests of the city of Boston.

By your votes vast sums of money have been appropriated for the Water-Works, the Fire Department, the Public School Department, the care and repair of streets, the health and cleanliness of the city, the improvement of the public parks and grounds, the erection of the new Court-house, and for many other objects of more or less importance. I am convinced that all the expenditures which have been made under these appropriations have been made with wisdom and discretion, under the direction of His Honor the Mayor and the heads of the various departments of our city, all of whom are gentlemen able and honest, and who are not surpassed by similar officers in any municipality in the United States. This I say from my intimate acquaintance with these gentlemen during my connection of many years with the City Government.

During the year we were called together in special session to take action regarding the death of a past chief magistrate, the Hon. Albert Palmer, a man who filled the executive office with honesty, fidelity, and ability, and was, withal, an eminent scholar and an orator of renown.

By your concurrent vote the courtesies of the city were extended to Her Majesty the Queen of the Sandwich Islands, who honored us with a visit in the spring.

You passed an order to extend hospitalities to the Hon. William O'Brien, of Ireland, one of the ablest and most self-sacrificing advocates of the rights of a down-trodden and long-suffering people.

It is contended that too much of our time has been taken up in legislating for the city laborers.

To this I take exception, for I believe that, with proper regard to the interests of the city, whatever we do in the way of justly compensating these men for the services they render, which

frequently call for extraordinary powers of endurance, or whatever we do towards making their work less of a drudgery, will be amply repaid by their increased fidelity to their duties.

The small compensation which the laboring class receives makes it to a great extent dependent upon public or private charity.

The families of many laborers are simply able to exist; they know nothing of life's comforts; they are obliged to deprive themselves of many of its necessities. If sickness or old age overtakes these laborers, nothing but the almshouse stares them in the face.

Would it not, I ask, be better to give these men permanent work and fair compensation, rather than have them and their families become the wards of the public?

I believe I but reëcho the response of our heaviest tax-payers when I say we should act not only justly, but also liberally by the poor laborer.

By leasing quarters in the old Franklin School-house and elsewhere to veterans of the late war, and requiring of them but nominal amounts in payment for the privileges given, you have shown your patriotism, and at the same time your appreciation, of the services rendered by these noble soldiers "in the times that tried men's souls."

By your concurrent action the compensation of the members of the Police and Fire Departments has been increased. Your proceeding in this matter met with the approval of the public, which knows how to value the protection given to life and property by these vigilant and faithful officials.

At a recent meeting you took appropriate action to show your respect for the memory of the Hon. Timothy J. Dacey, whose unexpected death, in the height of his political career, filled the entire community with sorrow.

Mr. Dacey, besides being an Assistant District Attorney for this county, was likewise the respected

President of the School Committee, and also of the Board of Trustees of the City Hospital.

He was a public-spirited citizen, a conscientious official, a kind-hearted friend to the poor, a credit to the race from which he sprung, and an honor to the city which he so faithfully served.

In this brief address I have alluded merely to a few subjects of a popular nature that have claimed your attention; the more weighty matters upon which you have deliberated will soon be brought before the public in proper form through the regular official channels.

And now, gentlemen, as this is our last meeting, and many of our number will not return next year, it is opportune for us to recall the many pleasant hours we have spent together in this chamber, and to remember that here have been formed friendships which death alone will sever.

We may have had little differences of opinion in regard to various matters considered in our meetings, but we have never lost for each other our respect and esteem.

Let me express the hope that no matter how widely scattered we may be in the future, the Common Council of 1887 will ever be united in spirit in bonds of friendly regard.

Thanking you, gentlemen, for your kind attention, I will close by wishing you the joys of the Christmas and New Year's season, and by assuring each one of you of my trust that an Ever-bountiful Providence will make your future life a life of

PEACE, PLENTY, AND HAPPINESS.

At the conclusion of the address of Mr. Fisher, it was

Ordered, That the President furnish a copy of his closing address to be printed and bound with the

On motion of Mr. Whall, the day.

Attest :

Clerk

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CITY OF  BOSTON.

FINAL PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

BOARD OF ALDERMEN

OF

1887.

IN BOARD OF ALDERMEN, Dec. 31, 1887.

ALDERMAN ALLEN — Mr. Chairman, this Board has about concluded its labors for the year 1887. I do not wish to detain the Board by any remarks which would consume much time. I have not at all times been in entire accord and harmony with all the members of this Board upon some questions; but at the same time I wish to bear testimony to the universal courtesy which has been extended to me by the different members of this Board, and to thank them for the same. It also affords me much pleasure to bear witness that this Board has been presided over by a faithful officer, and I present this resolution at this time, trusting that it may pass with entire unanimity:

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the Board of Aldermen be expressed to Alderman Patrick J. Donovan for the able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of chairman of the Board during the past year. His unvarying courtesy and affable manners have won our esteem,

and in severing our official relations, we desire to extend to him our best wishes for his future welfare.

The clerk read the resolution, and put the question on its passage.

Alderman HAYNES said:

Mr. Clerk, I heartily second that resolution. I believe that every member of this Board bears testimony to the uniform courtesy and kindness of the chairman, and I believe that every one of us fully appreciates the truth of the sentiments expressed in the resolution.

Alderman LEE said:

Mr. Clerk, It gives me extraordinary pleasure to second the resolution which has just been offered, and to say a few words in its support. The chairman of this Board and myself commenced our career in the City Government at the same time, in 1882, as members of the Common Council, and the friendship which we then formed has been to this moment uninterrupted, and I trust it will continue forever. He and I have had, perhaps, differences of opinion on questions of public polity, but they have been differences merely of a friendly nature. Having had considerable experience as the presiding officer of the lower branch, I can well appreciate the difficulties under which our worthy chairman must have labored while holding his honorable position, but I believe I but reëcho the sentiments of every member of this Board when I say, that he has discharged his duties with ability and fairness, and was ever on the alert to preserve the dignity of the Board of Aldermen, and ever watchful of the best interests of the city of Boston. I do not believe that there is a member of this body who is unwilling to confess that whatever may have been his relations with the chairman, he has uniformly received from him the consideration, the kindness, and the civility which ever characterize the true gentleman. No one knows better than I do the difficulties surrounding the office of a presiding officer of a legislative body like this, to decide on the moment, and without consultation, intricate parliamentary points, to maintain order in the assembly, to guide debate so that it may not degenerate into personalities, nor wander into matters of an irrelevant nature, to give every member fair opportunity to be heard, and to endeavor to be just and impartial in the distribution of committees, — all tend to show that the position is one which requires a man

of no ordinary intelligence and independence. That our chairman has discharged his duties in a manner worthy of our indorsement, and meeting the requirements I have specified, we all acknowledge, and this reflection should be to him in after life a most satisfactory reminiscence. I regret that the city of Boston to-day will lose the services of our respected chairman, for I feel certain that it will be very hard to supply his place. He has had from his long connection with the government unusual facilities for learning the wants of the community, and for devising means to supply them; but, of course, it cannot be expected that a gentleman will allow his private interests to suffer in preference to resigning a public trust. I hope, however, that the day is not far distant when Mr. Donovan will find it convenient to return to the service of the city, if not as a member of the Board of Aldermen, at least in some other capacity, for I believe that his great experience in municipal matters would make him an acquisition in any department of the City Government. Whatever his future may be, I feel assured that he has the best wishes of each and every member of this Board, and that we all hope that success may attend his every effort to advance in prosperity, and that health and happiness may be his portion for many years to come. In conclusion, I request, Mr. Clerk, that when the vote is taken, it be by a rising vote.

Alderman BROMWICH said:

It gives me great pleasure to add my testimony to what has already been said by the gentlemen who offered the resolution, and who seconded it. I have been connected with our honorable chairman since 1883, first, in the lower branch, and invariably his word has been as good as his bond. I have nothing more to say except that I fully acquiesce in every particle with what is stated in the resolution. While the city will lose by the retirement of Alderman Donovan from the public service, I have no doubt it will be his gain.

Alderman McLAUGHLIN said:

Mr. Clerk, I desire also to second the resolution that has been presented, and that has been so unanimously approved by the gentlemen who have preceded me. Although I can add but feebly to anything that has already been said, I feel it my duty at this time to publicly thank the chairman of the Board of Aldermen for the many kindnesses he has shown to

me during the present year. My association with our chairman, as well as other members of the Board, began several years back. On entering the Board of Aldermen this year, I was confronted with the many changes in our City Charter, and I was compelled many times to turn to the chairman for advice on matters that were not clear to me. I always received advice and information from him in the same painstaking and precise manner that has always characterized him and endeared him to all of us as a personal friend. Many of us, no doubt, regret his retirement from public official life; but his personal and private interests are paramount and sacred to him, and, of course, he must first consider them. I desire to thank you, Mr. Chairman, through the clerk, for your courtesy and kindness to me, and I trust that the New Year will be a happy and prosperous one to you, and that there are in store for you many more happy hours.

Alderman N. G. SMITH said:

In rising to second the resolution that has just been offered, I wish to add my word of testimony to what has been already said in regard to the fair, impartial, and kindly manner in which you have performed your arduous duties as presiding officer of this Board during the past year. I wish to testify, also, to your unvarying courtesy and your consideration for others. As far as I can judge, you have treated us all alike, and we who have been in the minority during the year feel that your treatment of us has been considerate, and even generous. You have never exercised the prerogatives of your office harshly. You have always allowed us the largest liberty in debate, you have been mindful of our weaknesses, and sometimes propped up our drooping courage. Those of us who are naturally timid and unaccustomed to the sound of our own voices in public, are especially indebted to you. When we have tempted the uncertain sea of debate in this august body, trying in our halting way to express thoughts that would not come, and trembling in every limb, with courage slowly but surely oozing out at our fingers' ends, and have looked for comfort into the cold stern faces of our associates here, and found none, you have always come to our assistance and support. Your courteous attention and sympathetic manner have bolstered up our failing courage and carried us safely to the shore. In that trying hour, when we felt that the safety of the city or of our constituents, or more possibly, our political future, depended upon our oratorical efforts, we have never looked

into your face in our distress without finding there both sympathy and comfort. Now that we are about to part, going our various ways, many of us back to adorn the more humble paths of private life, you will carry with you the kindly regards and the good wishes of every member of this Board. I believe I only voice the sentiment of all when I wish for you on this occasion of our last meeting a happy and a prosperous new year and a successful future.

Alderman CARROLL said:

It seems to me I would be remiss in my duty as a representative if I did not, at this time, have some words to say in support of this resolution. Two years ago I met our honored chairman as a member of the Board of Aldermen. It is true I came into the government without any experience in municipal affairs. To try and educate myself up so that I might do my duty to my constituency was no easy task. But I turned at a time when I needed advice and instruction to him who I knew was familiar with municipal affairs and legislation, and I publicly desire to say that whatever success I may have attained in that line I owe more to our honored chairman than to anybody else. He kindly gave me information whenever I asked it, aided and assisted me at every request, and in parting with him as a representative I would say, that I know of no man I ever parted with where an honest or truer friendship existed. I wish for him in his future all manner of success, and that his road in life may be crowned with the greatest prosperity

The resolution was passed by a unanimous rising vote.

The CHAIRMAN said:

Gentlemen of the Board of Aldermen,—I return sincere thanks for your kind expression of good-will contained in the resolution which has just been passed. Our relations as members of this Board have been of pleasant character, and we separate to-day, after service together, with feelings of respect and friendship for each other. The work that has been accomplished in the past year has not been excelled by any previous year. Our sessions have been many and arduous, and a great amount of work has been done. At no time for years past has so much been done on our streets, and at the same time so much satisfaction existed among the men employed.

work, and all this has been accomplished with less money than in previous years. The sewerage system has been extended and kept in a condition in every way worthy of our system. In our parks unexampled progress has been made, and we may soon hope to see a most perfect system of parks, beautifying the city and furnishing much needed breathing-spaces for the people. Fair and liberal appropriations have been a great incentive in bringing about this gratifying result. Our public buildings, although on a limited appropriation and in spite of the destruction of the Gaston School-house by fire, have done more than well. All buildings are in good condition, and reflect credit on the municipality. No city in America is better lighted than Boston. This we owe to efficient management and liberal appropriation. In the Water Department high-service has been introduced into East Boston and Charlestown, and other needed and important improvements made. All branches of the government and all interests of the city have received every consideration at the hands of the City Government, and whenever and wherever the public interests have demanded, those interests have been fully met. I am of the opinion, after some little experience in the City Government, that we will be seriously handicapped in meeting the requirements of a great city like ours unless the tax-rate or borrowing limit are raised from \$9 to \$10, or from 2 per cent. to $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent., respectively. The men who were instrumental in bringing about the law which fixed a limit are the ones who called for all the improvements which make necessary the change. I am free to admit that the improvements are necessary if Boston wishes to have those things that go to make a first-class municipality. I know of no position in the City Government which requires more labor than that of an alderman. My connection ceases with to-day, so that in what I am to say I cannot be accused of furthering my own interests. In view of the labor connected with the office, and other reasons too obvious to need mentioning, I trust that action will be taken and that a salary will be paid to the aldermen of Boston at no distant day. One of our number steps from this Board into the Senate of this Commonwealth, where the question comes up for consideration. One who knows of what he speaks, his voice will be potent, and I trust he will do what lays in his power to bring about this just result. This Board has been subject to more or less criticisms, the greater portion of them unjust in the extreme, unfair, and ungenerous. Men holding public office must expect such treatment to a certain extent, but when it goes beyond bounds of reason it is time to call a halt. The other day some citizens held a

meeting and established an association to protect the city from extravagances, etc., and reflected somewhat on the present City Government. I would draw your attention to the following tables:—

Year.	Valuation.	Appropriation order.	Tax-rate.
1874	\$798,755,050	\$12,146,643	\$15 60
1875	793,961,895	11,104,805	13 70
1885	685,404,600	10,608,100	12 80
1886	710,581,700	10,553,690	12 70
1887	747,624,900	11,654,094	13 40

Thus in 1885, 1886, and 1887, with a city larger in population by thousands, with miles and miles more of streets to look after, and extra expense therefrom, a corresponding increase in the expense of lighting, in water department, fire, in short, in every department in the city, the expenses should be larger by an immense sum than in 1874-75. The facts, as shown by tables, are, that under this government and the government of 1885 and 1886, with which many of us were connected, we had less valuation and less tax-rate and spent less money in running the city than the government of 1874-75. In the meeting the other night criticising us were men connected with the government of 1874-75. I call the action of such men, in view of their own record, unfair in the extreme—a harsher term could with justice be applied to them. And the table above is a sufficient refutation of the charges made by those gentlemen, and which have been repeated so often during the year; for if nothing else could be shown, these figures of themselves prove a more economical administration than when these men were in control. But in addition to this your attention to the following table is called:—

The State tax of 1885	\$578,055
The State tax of 1886	555,870
The State tax of 1887	833,805
Being an increase of 50 per cent. over 1886.	
County Court House, which will cost over \$3,500,000, causing an annual increase in the taxes of over	150,600
New bridge to Cambridge, costing \$250,000, and an annual increase of over	10,000
Police-signal System	75,000
County expenses over	45,000

The County expenses of 1885-86	\$416,970
The County expenses of 1886-87	434,618
The County expenses of 1887-88 to January .	348,000
Or over \$35,000 more than last year, to the same time, and these expenses not controlled by the City Council.	

Thus, with a valuation fifty millions less than in 1874, with a tax-rate thirty cents less on a thousand, with a Legislature every year since they have limited our expenditures adding new burdens to our shoulders, fair-minded men, who will examine the figures, will belittle the partisan charges so constantly rung in their ears, and give to the City Government of 1887 the credit which belongs to it, of being as honest, capable, and economical as any City Council ever elected in Boston. A Boston boy born and bred, I have always taken a pardonable pride in her institutions and her progress; during the six years I have served in her government my action has always been an honest endeavor to give her an honest and economical government in the interests of the whole people. I believe the same feeling has animated the other members of this Board. The record of 1887 is one to be proud of, and is neither equalled nor surpassed by any previous Board. Permit me to return my sincere thanks to the press as represented here, for kindness and courtesy; to the City Clerk and Assistant, who have ever been ready to aid me in every way in their power; also to the Clerk of Committees and his Assistant; to the City Messenger and his Assistants, and to Lieutenants Tracy and Winn. Members of the Board of Aldermen of 1887, we are about to separate. I leave you with kindest feelings of friendship, with remembrance of the courtesies I have received at your hands, which will never be forgotten, and with every good wish for your future welfare, and wishing you each and all a happy and successful New Year.

Alderman SULLIVAN offered an order — That the closing proceedings of this Board, together with the remarks of the Chairman, be printed as a city document.

Passed.

On motion of Alderman N. G. SMITH, the Board adjourned *sine die*.

Attest:

J. H. O'NEIL,
City Clerk.

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